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NATIONWIDE	JUNE 4	JUNE 5
Fresh cases	3,962	4,270
Recoveries	2,697	2,619
Deaths	26	15

KARNATAKA	JUNE 4	JUNE 5
Fresh cases	222	301
Recoveries	191	146
Deaths	0	1

JAB-O-METER
TAKE YOUR SHOT
June 4 **10,28,295 doses**
June 5 **2,41,618 doses**
TOTAL: 1,94,01,10,680

CALL IT NADAL OPEN. RAFA WINS IT FOR THE 14TH TIME

Rafael Nadal, who arrived in Paris with an uncertain future due to various reasons, beats Casper Ruud to lift 22nd Major

FROM OUTSIDER TO ANOTHER FRENCH CROWN

Nadal, who revealed that he had to manage a degenerative foot issue (the Mueller Weiss Syndrome), spoke about the pain he was facing throughout the event. In the final, though, he didn't show any of it against the Norwegian, who has developed his game at Nadal's academy. After a shaky first set, the 36-year-old zoomed through the final two sets to win 6-3, 6-3, 6-0

RECORD-BREAKER, HISTORY-MAKER

- With the win, Nadal extended his Slam count to 22, two more than the next best among men (Novak Djokovic & Roger Federer)
- He is yet to lose a French Open final, having won all 14 of his finals on the dirt. Enroute to the title, Nadal had to save one match point against Felix Auger-Aliassime in the 4th round | P13

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1ST TIME NADAL HAS WON BOTH AUSTRALIAN & FRENCH OPENS IN THE SAME YEAR

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BJP's loose cannons get the stick for hate speech

Qatar, Kuwait, Iran protest offensive remarks against the Prophet

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR AND YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

THE BJP on Sunday sought to douse the communal fire lit by its loose cannons' recent derogatory remarks against Prophet Mohammed, by suspending one and expelling the other.

While the party suspended its national spokesperson Nupur Sharma for her offensive comment in a TV debate, it expelled its Delhi media head Naveen Kumar Jindal for his reckless tweets. Nupur later dropped names of the party's senior leadership in another interview, saying they were all with her on the issue, perhaps one reason why the BJP had to distance itself from her.

Also, the hate speech triggered anger in the Arab world with the foreign offices of Qatar, Kuwait and Iran summoning the respective Indian envoys to register their outrage. Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, too, condemned the remarks. Deepak Mittal, India's Ambassador in Qatar, was at pains to clarify that the hate speech did not reflect the views of the government, adding it was made by fringe elements.

Nupur Sharma

Naveen K Jindal

Aimed at global audience: Omar

"There is a context to the BJP suddenly waking up... This apology of a statement is aimed at an international audience," National Conference leader Omar Abdullah said in a tweet

"Ambassador conveyed that the tweets do not, in any manner, reflect the views of the Government of India. These are the views of fringe elements," a spokesperson in Doha said. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) pitched in by underscoring India's civilisational heritage and strong cultural traditions of unity in diversity, saying the government accords highest respect to all religions.

"We should work together against such mischievous elements who aim to undercut the strength of our bilateral ties," MEA statement said.

Earlier in the day, BJP general secretary Arun Singh released a signed statement saying the party is against any ideology that insults or demeans any sect or religion. "The BJP respects all religions. The BJP strongly denounces insult of any religious personalities of any religion," the statement read.

The BJP also possibly had elections to a clutch of states on its mind when it decided to use its whiplash. For, the hate speech was threatening to derail the party's outreach to Muslim voters, especially after drawing a decent percentage of votes from Muslim pockets in the UP polls. While poll-bound Gujarat has 9.67% Muslim voters, the corresponding figure in Himachal is 2.18%, Karnataka 12.91% and Rajasthan 9.1%.

Nupur later said, "If my words have caused discomfort or hurt religious feelings of anyone whatsoever, I hereby unconditionally withdraw my statement."

70% Pandit employees flee Valley

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THOUGH the Centre has started shifting Kashmiri Pandit staffers under the PM job scheme in the Valley to various district headquarters in Kashmir in the wake of the recent targeted killings, it has now emerged that about 60-70% of them fled to Jammu in recent weeks. The Pandits wanted transfers to Jammu but the Centre rejected the demand.

Some Pandits say the security situation is worse today than it was in 1990."This fear was not prevalent in 1990 when the first migration of Pandits took place," said Ranjan, a Kashmiri Pandit employee in Anantnag district. "Due to fear, we are unable to move out from our locations." He said in the 1990s, it was clear who the terrorists were. But today, the situation has changed due to hybrid terrorists—radicalised civilians who carry out attacks while leading normal lives.

He claimed about 60-70% of 5,500 Pandits have left Kashmir. Jagti Tenement Committee Jammu president Shadi Lal confirmed 60-70% of Pandit employees have reached Jammu.

EXPRESS READ

After 3 months, over 300 Covid cases in state

Bengaluru: After a three-month lull, Covid cases in the state crossed the 300-mark on Sunday, while a death was also registered after many days. The state recorded 301 cases on Sunday, of which 291 were from Bengaluru. Covid cases had not breached the 300-mark since March. Also, a 72-year-old woman succumbed to Covid in Bengaluru Urban district.

Jagran Vedike alleges conversion, cops say no

Mangaluru: The Uppinangady police visited a Christian prayer hall in Konalu village near Nelyady of Dakshina Kannada district on Saturday night after the Hindu Jagran Vedike alleged forcible religious conversions there. But Dakshina Kannada SP Rishikesh Sonawane said there were no such attempts. P4

At last, Sir MV terminal to be inaugurated today

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Sir M Visvesvaraya Terminal, Bengaluru (SMVB) at Baiyappanahalli will be thrown open for passengers on Monday a year after completion by the Constructions Division of the South Western Railway Zone.

The first train to depart from the station is the SMVB-Ernakulam Triweekly Express (Train no. 12684) that will start on Platform One at 7 pm on Monday. The Rs 314-crore station is modelled on the lines of the airport.

"SMVB will have the first air-conditioned entrance lobby in any railway station in the country and runs to 900 sqm," said

The Sir M Visvesvaraya Terminal

Divisional Railway Manager Shyam Singh. Chief Public Relations Officer, South Western Railway, E Vijaya said, "It will have the biggest yard in South Western Railway and Southern Railway with 549 routes and state-of-the-art train operation control panel room." P2

HORROR IN HILLS

25 pilgrims feared dead in U'khand bus accident

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

TWENTY-FIVE passengers of a bus were feared dead and three others critically injured after the vehicle carrying pilgrims from Panna district in Madhya Pradesh fell into a gorge near Uttarkashi in Uttarakhand on Sunday.

The bus bound for Yamunotri had 30 on board, including 28 passengers. The accident took place near Rikhavu khadd on NH 94, Uttarkashi District Disaster Management Officer Devendra Patwal said.

Seventeen bodies have been recovered so far. A search is on for the rest. Three injured passengers have been admitted to the Community Health Centre in Damta. Police and SDRF teams have been rushed to the spot, besides ambulances from Badkot, Nagaon and Nainbagh.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi condoled the deaths. "The prime minister has announced an ex-gratia of ₹2 lakh each from the PMNRF. The injured would be given ₹50,000 each," the PMO said.

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ALMANAC TODAY
• **Monday:** 06/06/2022 • **Year:** Shubhakruta • **Ayana:** Uttharayana • **Ritu:** Greeshma • **Masa:** Jyeshta • **Paksha:** Shukla • **Tithi:** Sapthami 2.41 am • **Nakshatra:** Makha 10.08 pm • Moon in Meena Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am • **Gulikakala:** 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm • **Yamaganda:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

WEATHER — MIN 21°C | MAX 30°C
FORECAST Tstorms late. Cloudy

Sunrise 5.52 am | Sunset 6.44 pm | Moonrise 12.30 am | Moonset 11.21 am

GET, SET GREEN IN BENGALURU

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

CITIZENS, politicians and activists were among many who celebrated celebrated World Environment Day in the city on Sunday. Numerous nature walks, awareness programmes and mass sapling planting drives were undertaken. Activists at the Pattandur Agrahara Lake formed a human chain around the lake, protesting against the government's failure to address the issues that would lead to the laying a road on the lake's buffer zone.

Karnataka Governor Thawaarchand Gehlot planted a Rudhraksha and Champaka saplings at the Raj Bhavan, where he appealed for more people to plant trees. BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath and other BBMP officials also hosted a similar sapling planting programme at Freedom Park.

The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) announced that they would take up plantation of 4,500 saplings in the next four months, as part of a large-scale afforestation programme. A flypast aircraft was also spotted at Lalbagh Botanical Garden on the occasion, with the words 'Namma Bengaluru Swacha Bengaluru' behind it. NCC in Bengaluru and other parts of Karnataka have spent the last week cleaning the areas around local water bodies and the seashores as part of the Puneet Sagar Abhiyan ahead of World Environment Day.

Meanwhile in Cubbon Park, the Horticulture Department and Cubbon Park Walkers Association jointly organised a programme where magistrate court judges undertook a plantation drive for the first time in Bengaluru. A collaboration was also made with Fortis Hospital, who have promised to keep an ambulance at the Park every Sunday to provide medical assistance to Sunday walkers.

Postal dept marks occasion

Chief Postmaster at General Post Office Himanshu Choudry and staff on Sunday planted saplings inside the premises of the garden of the GPO.

Rlys carries out tree plantation

Divisional Railway Manager, Bengaluru Division and Shilpi Singh, Divisional president, SWR Women's Welfare Organisation today took part in a mass tree transplantation programme at Hindupur.

Ploggers clean trash near Vidhana Soudha

The Indian Ploggers Army, K K Education Centre and Hasiru Dala jointly carried out a campaign on June 4 for World Environment Day by collecting trash in Vidhana Soudha and Cubbon Park Road.

A tree plantation drive at Cubbon Park jointly organised by Horticulture Department and Cubbon Park Walkers' Association | Express

'Give more prominence to eco news'

BENGALURU: Environmental news must be given more prominence on the front page of newspapers, especially with a rise in climate change, Karnataka Media Academy chairman and Press Club president Sadashiv Shenoy said. Speaking at a programme hosted by IIMB on Sunday, he said, "We don't find environmental news on front pages, and it is not given as much importance as political, business or crime news."

Ward Samiti suggests monitoring cell

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

REPRESENTATIVES of Bengaluru Ward Samiti Balga met the BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath on Saturday to present the resolutions passed in the gatherings from all zones and propose solutions to bolster ward committees across the city.

A Janaagraha survey on ward committees was submitted to Girinath. A key reform suggested is to form ward committee monitoring cell at the division level within each zone to monitor the proper conduct of ward committee meetings as well as ensure actions are taken.

The Balaga, in a press release, said that Girinath responded favourably to the suggestions, and said that the BBMP is keen to empower zonal level administration, ensure ward committee meetings are held regularly and lead to meaningful interactions between citizens and the BBMP. He also assured of appointing new nodal officers in all wards. Divisional officers will be allotted wards and a roaster will be drawn up while training programmes will be conducted for nodal officers.

Vax challenge for business team flying to Germany

Emirates says Covaxin, Covishield not approved in EU nation

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

A six-member business delegation flying from the Kempegowda International Airport to Frankfurt on an Emirates flight on Saturday had a harrowing time as the airline staff did not allow them to board the flight, saying passengers who have received Covaxin and Covishield vaccines are not allowed into Germany as per a new circular received by them. After nearly a three-hour tussle, involving arguments and help from their agent, they were finally allowed to board the flight (EK 565) at 9.15 am.

Software engineer Yogesh Dhariyal, who was part of the group, told TNIE that the problem arose because the Bengaluru staff of Emirates misinterpreted an official communication issued to them. "They got a mail stating that Simopharm is not allowed and somehow the Bengaluru airport team misinterpreted the whole mail. Those vaccinated with Covishield have been allowed inside airports since last year and public from other countries vaccinated with Covaxin are allowed from June 1," he said.

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Yogesh Dhariyal, software engineer

The group was heading to Germany on a month-long business trip. "It was frustrating. We reached the airport around 6.25 am and our flight was at 10.35 am to Frankfurt via Dubai. We have valid business visas with two or three doses of vaccines and negative RTPCR certificates too. The supervisor of Emirates in Bengaluru refused to accept them and told us to go back. We fought a lot and called our agent in Bengaluru. He called the Emirates Regional Sales Manager and explained to him that we had adhered to all the guidelines. After a triple check, they allowed us. We have reached Germany now. There were no issues at all at the immigration centre here," Dhariyal said.

Another flyer Ashish Sharma, not part of the group, tweeted at 7.22 am, "I am standing in check-in counter of Emirates to board a flight to Germany but suddenly we are not allowed to board flight with reason that Covishield and Covaxin is not allowed in Germany. Please confirm this."

When the Emirates Support Team was contacted, the response read, "Passengers who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 with vaccines approved by the Paul Ehrlich Institute (or equivalents of those vaccines used in non-EU countries) can enter Germany from non-EU countries." After furnishing a link on approved vaccines, the message added, "You can also check with the local authorities for more information." There was no specific response to the issue spoken about.

HOLD THAT ASANA

With Prime Minister Narendra Modi due to attend the Yoga event in Mysuru, people practice yoga in front of Mysuru Palace on Sunday ahead of International Yoga Day | UDAYASHANKAR S

RWAs want connectivity from KR Puram to MV stn

Terminal to have 7 platforms

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

A federation of 25 resident welfare organisations in and around Sir M Visvesvaraya Terminal at Baiyappanahalli is demanding connectivity between the upcoming KR Puram Metro Station of Phase-II and the new terminal to be thrown open for public on Monday.

With the Baiyappanahalli Metro Station nearly 1.5 km from here, the Eshanya Bengalurina Nagarikara Kalyana Mahavedike is requesting that a metro link be provided from here up to KR Puram. "The link will provide further metro rail access to Airport, Silk Board, Whitefield and the West side through the Purple Line. It will reduce road traffic and also immensely reduce pollution levels," Mahavedike president Murali Simhadri told TNIE. The Mahavedike estimates 50,000 footfalls at this terminal, he added. Muniraj Sriramulu, organising secretary, said, "We have already submitted a proposal to the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. Bengaluru Central MP PC Mohan has accepted our suggestion and recommended it to the authorities to provide intermodal connectivity here."

Simhadri said narrow roads from Seva Nagar, Banaswadi and Kammanahalli are crowded and commuters need to wait for a long time to cross the existing Maruthisevanagar Bridge.

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A VISIT to the station revealed that it is fully disabled friendly with a Braille map positioned prominently at the entrance, a counter exclusively for the differently abled and a sign language video of the station throwing up when a QR code is scanned. A dedicated bus bay runs inside the premises to facilitate seamless multi modal connectivity.

PM Narendra Modi was keen to inaugurate the terminal and its opening kept getting postponed over the last year with the latest launch planned on April 5 too not materialising after the PM cancelled his visit to the city. The absence of road connectivity to the terminal was repeatedly given as an official reason for delaying the launch and the buck was passed to the BBMP. But the Palike built roads to the station more than six months ago. Relentless pressure from rail activists on officials through social media forced the Railways to inaugurate the station, which will be a tepid affair. "This is just the start. It will open up to more trains in the future," said a senior official. The terminal will have seven platforms with the last one yet to be ready. Only Platform One will be used initially for three pairs of trains.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

06th June : Pisces is my sign of the day - so the whole world may take a romantic, sensitive turn. It's great if you're a Piscean, or even born when the Moon was in Pisces but, some other signs, such as Ariens, or Capricorns, might be slightly disturbed by events which they just don't understand!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
The crunch is due at work very soon, probably within days if the stars are to have their way. Those Ariens who are ladies, or gentlemen, of leisure, will find that their glittering achievements are brought out for public scrutiny before the week is over.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Please do yourself a favour and avoid all legal complications this week, even if we're only talking about traffic fines or overdue library books. On the other hand, take a stand on an issue of principle and you'll attract unparalleled respect and admiration.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
I am afraid that I keep coming back to your financial affairs. The reason is strictly astrological: according to your solar chart you are passing through a long-term cycle in which issues of financial security and independence are of very deep importance.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You are divided into two groups this week. June Cancers are entering a state of personal independence and liberation: those with July birthdays should concentrate on security, tradition and existing ways of doing things. It's all a matter of maintaining harmony and balance, you see.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
First of all, a word about the next seven days; many of you will reach a critical point in your work or other routine chores. The sensible way to act at such times is with prudence and caution, turning each and every opportunity to your advantage.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You may find yourself in a classic Virgo an dilemma this week, by which I mean that your natural passion and enthusiasm may conflict with your equally strong inhibitions and fear of taking a risk. Your expenses still seem to be rising as well, although you'll hit a prosperous streak next week.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
This is not a week for compromise. But, then, neither is it a time to hold on to attitudes and positions that have been left behind by events, and probably never did you that much good, anyway. You've got to be firm - with yourself as well as with partners.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
The week's stars will undoubtedly favour your interests, even if you'll meet one or two challenges along the way. Fortunately, the Sun is offering you overall protection, leaving you free to make a nuisance of yourself as you think fit. Be the first with an apology if anything goes wrong, though.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Please don't groan if I once again talk about your financial affairs. You are nearing the end of one particular short-term phase, and your chances of prosperity over the next three months will depend on how you handle an emotional mini-crisis this week.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
The week's challenging and energetic alignments may be used constructively if you wish, and any conflict may be turned to your advantage. In the long run, January Goats are more likely to be affected than those of you with December birthdays.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
The Aquarian Water Carrier is the bearer of fresh possibilities and new potential to the whole of mankind. Even on your small scale, you are quite capable of showing other people a better way to live. Teach them by example, but try to learn from their experiences.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Your social commitments are expanding. Many of you have now become involved in a formal group activity. This week, the real nature of your responsibilities will become clear and you will have to decide whether to carry on or drop out. You'll try to find a compromise, but I don't think it will last.

THE PHANTOM

HERE WE GO...
AFTER HIS ORDEAL WITH THE GRAVELINES BULLET, THE LAST PHANTOM MAKES HIS WAY HOME TO THE DEEP WOODS....
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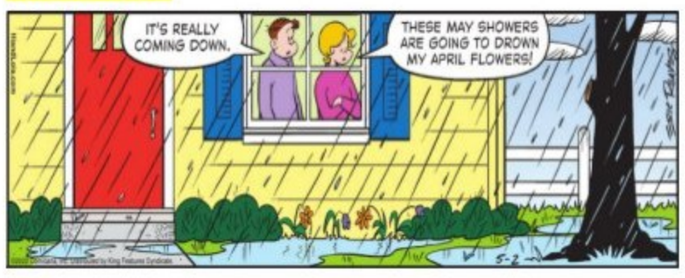
DEFILL

HI AND LOIS



BEETLE BAILEY

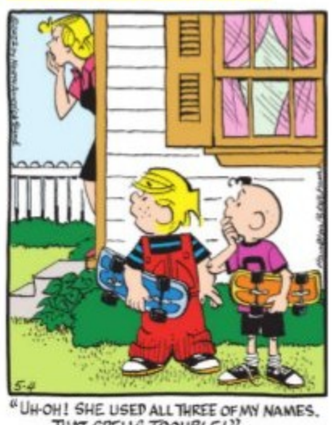
BLONDIE

BUMSTEAD, I HOPE YOU HAVE A GOOD EXCUSE FOR SHOWING UP LATE AGAIN THIS MORNING
I WISH I DID TOO, BOSS
I WAS LATE BECAUSE I JUST OVERSLEPT
THAT'S A SHAME...CORA ALWAYS ENJOYS HEARING HIS RIDICULOUS ONES
3-22

LOCKHORNS

"THESE PEOPLE WE'RE SEEING TONIGHT... ARE THEY CORK, TWIST-TOP OR BOX?"

DENNIS THE MENACE



"UH-OH! SHE USED ALL THREE OF MY NAMES. THAT SPELLS TROUBLE!"

SU DO KU

Hard: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

3		4		1			9	
		7						6
6	5	8			9			
1			6		8			
				7				
			1		3			2
			8			3	2	1
4						6		
	3			5		7		4

Solutions to Saturday's puzzle

2	4	7	1	8	9	3	5	6
3	6	9	5	7	2	1	8	4
5	1	8	6	3	4	9	2	7
8	5	1	3	4	7	6	9	2
6	7	3	9	2	5	8	4	1
9	2	4	8	6	1	5	7	3
4	9	6	2	1	8	7	3	5
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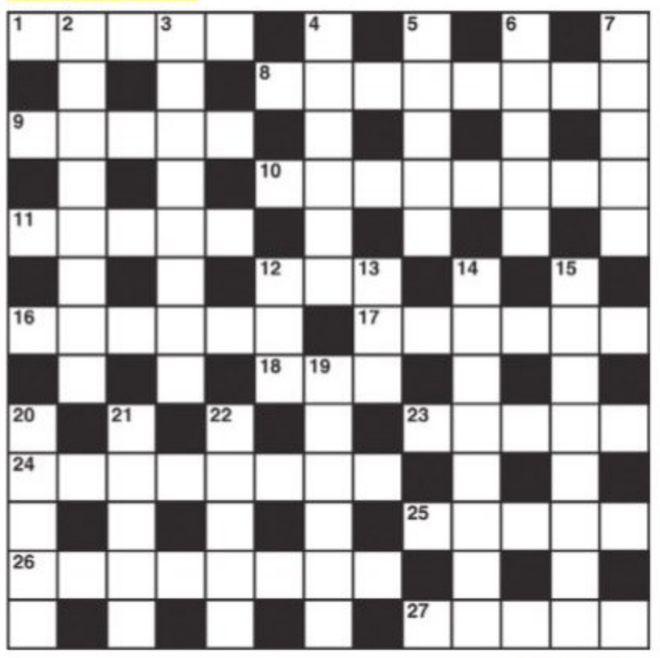
CROSS WORD



ACROSS
1 High points of the Danse Macabre (5)
8 Adjusted poor rate for a worker (8)
9 Begin painting a good man first (5)
10 Stop abruptly when time-out is cancelled (5,3)
11 A purchaser is said to have an Arab garment (5)
12 Serpent that has poison inside (3)
16 In opera Eugene shows singular spirit (6)
17 Claire makes a cake (6)
18 A man belted at karate (3)
23 The kind of crust found only on the best pies? (5)
24 One doesn't hear it when it's dropped (8)
25 Hell! It's the wrong shade (5)
26 Doing without because working (8)
27 This town is but a quarter of another (5)

DOWN
2 Mark closely - a bent one needs straightening (4,4)
3 Childhood interest of archaeologists? (5,3)
4 Playwright initially types out plays (6)
5 Slav is a poor actor (5)
6 Increase keenness (5)
7 Ill-gotten gains added to the stock (5)
12 With an initial dividend (3)
13 A writer put in prison (3)
14 Punish a child just a little for being careless (8)
15 Score one less (8)
19 Temporary work in the theatre (6)
20 I was put out about noisy strays (5)
21 A high point of religious architecture (5)
22 Bad ignition (5)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 2 Rock bottom, 6 Adam, 10 Cyril, 11 Rising sun, 12 As a whole, 13 Under, 15 Summits, 17 Scratch, 19 Casting, 21 Cossets, 22 Opera, 24 Morality, 27 Odd fellow, 28 No end, 29 Yore, 30 Grey matter.

Down: 1 Race, 2 Christmas, 3 Below, 4 Terrors, 5 Oysters, 7 Dosed, 8 Monarchist, 9 Inquires, 14 Psychology, 16 Imitated, 18 Treatment, 20 Gambler, 21 Caraway, 23 Elder, 25 Linda, 26 Oder.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

LDORE

LUPIT

RFADIA

RUHFOT

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

ANSWERS TOMORROW

SATURDAY'S **Jumbles:**
MORPH PRESS GOTCHA AGENDA
ANSWER: The TV documentary on the Apollo 11 Moon landing mission was a – SPACE PROGRAM

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DURATION OF PANDEMIC	CASES REPORTED	DEATHS	DISCHARGES
2 YEARS, 89 DAYS	■ 301 ◂ 222	■ 1 | ◂ 0	■ 146 | ◂ 191
	TALLY	POSITIVITY RATE	MORTALITY RATE
■ TODAY ◂ YESTERDAY	■ 39,53,359 ◂ 39,54,058	■ 5.94% | ◂ 5.94%	■ 1.01% | ◂ 1.01%
ACTIVE CASES	■ 2,414 ◂ 2,260	RECOVERY RATE ■ 98.92% ◂ 98.92%	

B'luru Urban: 291	Chamarajanagar: 0	Dharwad: 0	Kolara: 0	Shivamogga: 1
B'luru Rural: 0	Chikkaballapur: 0	Gadag: 0	Koppal: 0	Tumakuru: 0
Bagalkot: 0	Chikkamagaluru: 0	Hassan: 0	Mandya: 0	Udupi: 1
Ballari: 1	Chitradurga: 1	Haveri: 0	Mysuru: 3	U Kannada: 0
Belagavi: 1	D Kannada: 2	Kalaburagi: 0	Raichur: 0	Vijayapura: 0
Bidar: 0	Davanagere: 0	Kodagu: 0	Ramanagara: 0	Yadgir: 0

Scrap 27 new engineers' posts, BWSSB ex-staff urge Bommai

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

FORMER employees of the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) have appealed to CM Basavaraj Bommai to call off the decision of the board to create 27 new engineers' posts, including that of four chief engineers. These posts are redundant and will be white elephants, they alleged.

R Ramanna, former president, BWSSB Employees' Association, told TNIE, "The post of engineer-in-chief is presently vacant. All the six chief engineers are given only an in-charge role and no one has been posted here," he said. Assistant chief engineers put in charge of CE posts are: M Devaraju (West); Venkatesh (East); B Suresh (Design); SV Ramesh (Kavery), BC Gangadhara (Waste Water Management) and KN Rajeev (110 villages project). The existing six CEs do not have much work and it does not make sense to create four more CE posts, he alleged. "BWSSB plans to increase the number of CEs from 13 to 24 and executive engineers from 43 to 55. No expert committee has been formed for the reorganisation," he said. "This unilateral, hasty decision smacks of misappropriation," he alleged.

Former Union member Rudre Gowda said the Administrative Reforms Commission, headed by former chief secretary TM Vijay Bhaskar, had stated in its report that no new posts should be created.

TNIE had in its report on May 31, 2018 highlighted that three experienced CEs of the Board were set to resign on the day and a big vacuum in expertise and experience could set in as ACEs seven years their junior would occupy their posts.

K'TAKA'S 'HONEY' AMBITIONS TO GO UP IN SMOKE?

Government's force of apiarists has shrunk to just seven with over 100 vacancies and by 2026, the last of the specialists retires

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

AS the state government is firming up plans to aggressively release new honey brands and make a major splash in the honey market globally, *The New Indian Express* found that the government's force of specialised apiarists has shrunk to just seven with over 100 vacancies across the state.

Officers from horticultural and agricultural departments are holding key positions, though they do not understand the intricacies of apiculture. Unless genuine apiculture professionals are recruited, the state's honey ambitions will go up in smoke. That is because by 2026, the last of the specialists retires.

While big brands are being looked at suspiciously for selling 'fake honey', some rare, genuine honey qualities have sold for up to Rs 9 lakh per kg in the global market.

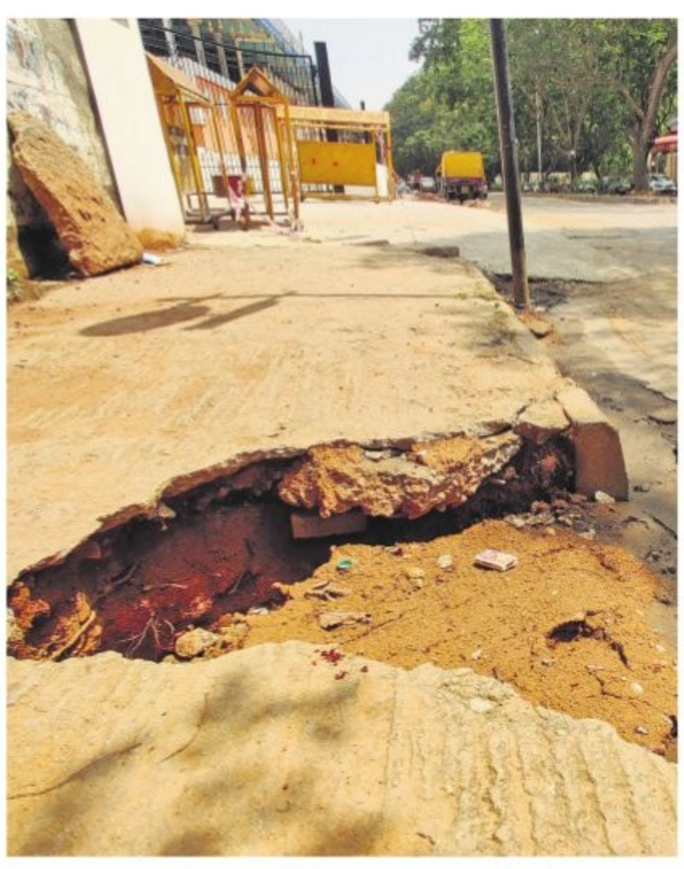
Indian honey does not command that price though. Some excellent qualities procured locally sell for around ₹10,000 per kg after they are branded. Some

of the finest quality honey is collected between Brahmagiri Hills and Pushpagiri Hills between Kodagu and Dakshina Kannada and sold at high prices because of its medicinal qualities. The honey collected from Jamboti in the Belagavi-Sirsi-Uttara Kannada area too commands high prices. The government wants to start two new brands and is holding a meeting on Monday to take the plan forward.

Vasanth Kumar, former horticulture department director, who also served as secretary in the agriculture department, said, "The government has been given a vision document in 2014. An independent body, with different stakeholders, has to be set up and it can establish a biodiversity park for honey. Building two new honey brands is not a one-time exercise."

The destruction of apiculture department started in 2011 when it was taken out of the industries department and included in the horticulture department. Sources said the officers who have remained have not been promoted as higher-ups do not understand the potential of honey. Many apiculturists have taken voluntary retirement. Many Madhuvanas, or apiaries, are bereft of experts.

The saddest reminder is that of the State Training Centre in Bhagamandala that does not have even one original apiculture officer. The centre offers a certification course and receives researchers and foreigners. They go around honey parks at nearby locations, like Beshetygeri, Kedamullur, Birunani, Korangala, Galibeedu, Somwarpet, Jakkanahalli, Shantahalli and Madapura.



CRUMBLING INFRA

A part of a footpath near Freedom Park caves in owing to the recent rain even as BBMP claims it is battle-ready to face the monsoon | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

More goods trains, better timing after line doubling

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FOLLOWING completion of the entire doubling line between Yelahanka and Penukonda -- an important route linking Bengaluru and Secunderabad -- in March this year, more crack trains (goods trains run on priority carrying essential items) are being run, and there is good improvement in punctuality of passenger trains.

According to an official release, the average speed of goods trains too has increased. During the first three months of this year, 78 crack trains were run and this has now touched 113, up to May this year. These trains, running between Dharmavaram and Tirupattur, Bangarpet, Whitefield, Niduvanda, Mandya, Hosur etc. take less time than earlier. There is no crew change taking place now.

"The average number of trains run in the section per day increased from 20 trains in February 2022 to 26 trains in May 2022. The average speed of goods trains in April 2022 shot up by 61% when compared to the previous month," a release said.

The punctuality of mail/express trains in this section also registered an increase.

In April 2022 and May 2022, the average punctuality recorded was 93 per cent. Punctuality stood at 86 per cent in February and 80 per cent in March.

Techie ends life, husband arrested

ENS @ Bengaluru

A 26-year-old newly married woman was found hanging at her house in Subramanya Nagar on Saturday night.

The parents of the deceased suspect she was harassed over dowr while the police have filed a case of unnatural death and arrested the accused. The deceased Anju, was a native of Chikkamagaluru, and had married Anjan Kaniyar, 29, four months ago. The couple were software engineers.

After returning home late night, Kaniyar found his wife hanging. He shifted her lifeless body to a nearby hospital where she was declared brought dead. He then called the police and Anju's parents to inform them about her death. She left a suicide note and held no one responsible for her death. Anju said she had many issues which led her to take this extreme step. She also asked her mother to apologise to her. Anju's parents alleged that their daughter had complained to them about her in-laws and husband harassing her. They also accused of dowry harassment and based on a complaint the police arrested Kaniyar on Sunday.

Helpline

If you are in emotional distress, you can get in touch with SAHAI helpline at 080-25497777 and 104 Arogya Sahayavani.

CRIME PATROL

3 held for assaulting telecom firm staff

Yelahanka police has arrested a gang of three on charges of assaulting an engineer and another employee of a telecom service company and robbing Rs 900 and a splicing machine. Abhilash, the engineer, along with his colleague was repairing a cable line on May 28 when the accused approached them. They asked Abhilash for permission letter saying the area belongs to them. When Abhilash tried to convince them, one of them stabbed him.

The Royist Who Explored the HORIZON OF RADICAL HUMANISM

S.R. Bommai can easily take credit for being a leader and a statesman in the same breath; one who embraced Royist thoughts, who strove valiantly for the state of Karnataka, showed great enthusiasm to address concerns of his people, spent himself entirely for worthy causes, all the while perfecting a style that had a point of view. On the 98th birth anniversary of the 11th Chief Minister of Karnataka, we briefly look at S. R. Bommai's journey as a lawyer, statesman, and radical thinker.

STEPHEN R. Covey, the renowned American educator, author, and keynote speaker once wrote, 'Self-growth is tender; it's holy ground. There's no greater investment'. Somappa Rayappa Bommai's life was all about such an investment. For him, life was a process by which he could continually develop himself to reach his full potential. And aided by a spark of influence, he soon realised that he was born for bigger deeds towards humanity.

Born in Sadar Lingayat family as the monsoon was setting in and petrichor wafted through Karadagi village of Shiggaon taluk of the then undivided Dharwad District, on 6th June 1924, Somappa revealed his future persona at an early age.

When the ruler of Jamkhandi province, Appa Saheb, visited the drought-hit Kamadolli area, some time in 1935, villagers were timidly anxious to convey their request for substantial relaxation in the high rate of land taxes. When no one came forward to submit their memorandum, 11-year-old Somappa stood up and read it out for all to hear. The result was a promise from Appa Saheb to reduce the tax.

Even though life had not revealed its beauty to him, with all the positivity and negativity that comes along, Somappa demonstrated that his virtue was alive at an early age.

By the time he was in college, Somappa was immersed in the freedom movement, even successfully inviting Subhas Chandra Bose to Dharwad.

The music of his youthful soul was willingly changing,

By the time India won its independence, Somappa had opted to study law in Belgaum, following his mother's insistence. He was quick at mastering logical thinking and reasoning, being fastidious with attention to detail, while getting fascinated with discussions on national and international issues, philosophy, fascism, World Wars, among others, helping him develop knowledge about the difference between reverence and irreverence; to not worship what is only known, but to question it.

The Roy Influence

To a certain point, S. R. Bommai's life was shaped by several internal and external factors — heredity, environment, peers, teachers. But by the time he was practicing law, came a period when the influence of M.N. Roy began shaping his life into radical thinking.

The founder of the Radical Humanist party, Roy's humanitarian thinking and concerns had crossed geographical barriers, and quickly Bommai and the political thinker were frequently interacting. Bommai even invited the radical activist to Belgaum and Dharwad.

Remaining a life-long Royist, Bommai remained courageous to be open—to welcome change and new ideas. And the fortunate possessor of Royist ideas also had a strange magnetism on any life he touched.

S.R. Bommai played an active role in the unification of Karnataka and liberation of Goa.

While he had established himself as an advocate, Bommai succumbed to pressure from farmer, lawyers and people from undivided Dharwad to contest the 1962 election. He stood as an independent candidate but lost to Congress by a thin margin.

In the 1967 Assembly elections, Bommai helped S Nijalingappa win unopposed from Shiggaon constituency, leading to a strong bonding between the two that would last for long. Bommai won from Kundgol constituency as an independent candidate, thus entering into the Legislative Assembly.

It was during this time that Bommai met Veerendra Patil, leading to a close association, which continued even when Patil became the Chief Minister of Karnataka.

By 1978, Bommai was firmly determined to build Janata Party as a strong opposition and by 1983, people rewarded his efforts by electing Janata Party to power under Ramakrishna Hegde. Bommai along with Hegde, J. H. Patel and H. D. Deve Gowda were instrumental in the Janata Party forming the government in the State for the first time.

S.R. Bommai played a vital role in bringing Texas Instruments to Karnataka, the first software company to begin operations in Bangalore

Bommai was given the weighty portfolio of Industries in the Ramakrishna Hegde government. He decided to give priority to small industries by setting up units in every district. He took up strengthening and expansion of existing industries. As a result, industrial areas in Peenya expanded to the second and third stages. Electronic City and Jigani Industrial area were set up.

Industrial development also took place in Bidar, Raichur and Dharwad districts. Within two years, several state-owned undertakings, which were in the red, like NGEF, MCF, MPM, KSIDL were earning profits because of strategies drawn up by Bommai.

In 1985, Bommai took over the Revenue Department. He took measures to simplify revenue documents, land tax, land measurement and property registration. All land records were copied and stored in microfilms; a pioneering effort. He was also instrumental in setting up *Nada Kacheris*, creating Bangalore Urban district, coming up with innovative drought-relief measures, and several pro-farmer measures.

'I do not apply for a post that is not vacant'

The role played by Bommai in retaining the unity of the Janata Party was convincing enough to display that his self-confidence was a healthy quality, grounded in competence.

Among the legislators and the people, he had emerged as a strong contender for the big post, but when asked by the media, he said, "I do not apply for a post that is not vacant".

Soon enough, when Ramakrishna Hegde quit on moral grounds, Bommai took charge as Chief Minister of the State on 13 August 1988.

James Freeman Clarke, an American theologian and author, once wrote, 'There is a wide difference between the politician and the statesman. A politician, for example, is a man who thinks of the next election; while the statesman thinks of the next generation.'

But what Bommai did as a leader and a statesman can even force Clarke to rethink his statement. Bommai, instead of drifting as a leader, steered his people towards growth and development, both as a politician and as a statesman.

Bold Initiatives

Having inherited a drought-hit state which was also in financial crisis, Bommai focussed on streamlining the commercial tax department and the Excise department, which he successfully did.

He also resolved to improve the Hyderabad-Karnataka region. In 1989-90, Bommai presented the budget with innovative schemes like Earn-while-you-learn, *Hasiru-Kirana*, and Nazir Niwas Yojana. Bommai also planned to invest a whopping Rs 270 crore to produce 310 MW of power. Another important measure was to provide Bhagyajyothi electric connections to 25,000 houses. Irrigation was another thrust area, getting an allocation of Rs 309 crores. Bommai Cabinet's last decision was to develop Kundalasangama, a famous religio-tourist centre of North Karnataka.

The Landmark Judgment

On 21 April 1989, Bommai government was dismissed by the then Governor, P. Venkatasubbaiah.

And thus began one of the greatest, most quoted, significant and landmark judgment of the Supreme Court of India, Bommai Vs Union of India.

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BOMMAI Vs. UNION OF INDIA

Victory Standing the Test of Time

RAMACHANDRA V GUNARI

S. R. Bommai versus Union of India was a landmark judgment of the Supreme Court of India, where the Court discussed at length, the provisions of Article 356 of the Constitution of India and related issues. The apex court spelt out restrictions on the Centre's power to dismiss a state government under Article 356. This case had huge impact on Centre-State Relations. Instances of imposition of President's rule have reduced after this judgement.

It was on April 21, 1989 that the Janata Dal government led by S R Bommai was dismissed under Article 356 of the Constitution and President's rule was imposed. At that time, Congress government was in power.

Quoting the reason that Bommai government had lost majority following large-scale defections, the then Governor P Venkatasubbaiah imposed President's rule in the state. He also denied an opportunity to prove majority on the floor of the house despite CM S R Bommai submitting a copy of the resolution passed by the Janata Dal Legislature Party.

Overpowered under the Article 356, S R Bommai took up the issue with the Karnataka High Court, which dismissed the writ petition. Later, he moved the Supreme Court against the Governor's decision to recommend President's rule.

The Supreme Court took almost five years to pronounce its verdict.

On March 11, 1994, a nine judge Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court comprising of Kuldip Singh (J), P B Sawant, K Ramaswamy, S C Agarwal, Yogeshwar Dayal, B P Jeevan Reddy, S R Pandian (J), and A M Ahmadi, gave the verdict in favour of Bommai.

The verdict turned out to be an historic landmark in the Indian politics that put an end to the arbitrary dismissal of state governments under Article 356.

"There were several points in the judgement and one unique judgement was that it said the President should exercise the power only after his proclamation (imposing his/her rule) is approved by both Houses of Parliament," said Advocate M B Chandra shekhar.

Even today, whenever a hung Assembly exists in any state and the subsequent exercise of government formation comes up, S R Bommai case would be cited, making it one of the most quoted verdicts in Indian Politics.

State Tourism, Ecology, and Environment Minister Anand Singh said that plans are being taken by the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board to ensure that environmental awareness is at the forefront. He said that the board is planning on formulating plans in the coming days on nature preservation and help with climate change

EDUCATION SUBVERTED THROUGH TEXTBOOK REVISION?

TEAM TNIE

REVISION of school textbooks, under the supervision of the state government-constituted Textbook Revision Committee, headed by Rohith Chakrathirtha, has politicised school education in an unprecedented manner.

While the opposition blames the state government for the revision being ideologically driven, the latter defends its line, saying it was done with a "corrective approach" in mind. It has created a huge uproar across the state. While one section justifies the revision in support of the government, several progressive thinkers, litterateurs and seers of prominent mutts are opposing the decision to revise school textbooks.

Among a total of 534 chapters in Kannada and Social Science subjects from Classes 1 to 10 of the state syllabus, the Chakrathirtha-headed committee (which now stands dissolved) revised 83, which the state government subsequently approved.

While Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Friday evening announced that they were open to re-revision of textbooks, despite almost 80 per cent being printed and about 66 per cent distributed among schools across Karnataka, the very idea of the need for revising school textbooks – especially Kannada and Social Science – is being questioned.

As things stand now, Primary & Secondary Education Minister BC Nagesh has announced that re-revision will be considered, after a few pontiffs raised objections to the content on 12th century social reformer Basavanna in Class 9 textbooks. Seers of several Lingayat mutts in the region – including Chidananda Swamiji of Hosa Mutt – had said the committee was assigned to carry out the agenda set by the education minister and those with vested interests to defame the social reforms of Basavanna.

Kudalasangama Panchamasali Peeta pontiff Basava Jaya Mruthyunjaya Swami expressed disappointment at the state government for vilifying Basavanna. "I never imagined that this would happen to Lord Basavanna when a Lingayat leader, Basavaraj Bommai, is at the helm. It is a big disappointment to the entire Lingayat community."

Wary of implications, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai sought a report on textbook revision from Nagesh, which was submitted on Friday evening. Bommai said they were open to re-revising content on Basavanna objected to by the seers.

Minister Nagesh said this would not require printing to be halted, nor reprinting of textbooks, considering that a majority have already been printed and distributed. Instead, a booklet with re-revised format would be introduced with the newly revised textbooks, to ensure there are no delays in academic schedules.

As per the Department of Public Instruction, Karnataka has a total of 78,424 schools offering education at the primary and secondary level, of which 22,419 are in urban areas and 56,005 in rural areas. There are an estimated 50 lakh school students in Karnataka. Reprinting the textbooks and redistributing them would mean starting the humongous process from scratch, further delaying school education, which has already suffered back-to-back issues starting with the pandemic impact.

BIG PICTURE

Progressive education should be considered

Experts and progressive thinkers, on their part, have pointed out that if revision was indeed required, then it should have been first done for core subjects, like Mathematics and Science, as these subjects provide a progressive — and not regressive — approach to the inquisitive minds of students.

Suresh Heblikar, noted writer, activist and filmmaker, says: "Ours is a tropical country with more than 60 per cent of the population depending on agriculture. Students must know how we could find ways to grow without discrimination and economic disparity. These are the new lessons or chapters that should have been included in Social Science. Mathematics and Physics don't change much as they are structurally and universally the same. I feel some new discoveries in space sciences must be opened up to students."

He says that as far as religion, caste and such sensitive issues are concerned, "students must not be burdened with such affairs as they must grow as children and individuals of this beautiful planet which has given them land, water, air, forests, rivers and the awesome wildlife which they must feel like protecting. This must be education....Education is for creating a better atmosphere and better society."

Shanta Sinha, ex-chairperson, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), says, "Instead of enhancing the content of textbooks to reinforce Constitutional principles of equality, social justice and democracy, it is a shame that the Karnataka government has actually removed some of the chapters that espoused such values."

Prof GN Devy, literary critic and former professor, who is known for People's Linguistic Survey of India and creating the Adivasi Academy, says, "For almost a thousand years since Basavanna, Karnataka has formed its identity in terms of a lively dialectic between the 'living presence of a teacher's mind' and 'dominant national narrative'. What defines Karnataka is the rich history of the tension between the two. The Chakrathirtha Committee appears to have set aside the historical reality of 'the being of Karnataka' as well as the principle of inclusion that Dr Ambedkar embedded in the Constitution."

Noted writer Devanuru Mahadeva says the democratic value and importance of the Constitution and its Preamble needs to be taught to kids from a young age. He says he along with several like-minded people would take the initiative to teach students through a new platform, to equip them to know and understand the Constitution.

Meanwhile, there are varying opinions on the ongoing controversy, with novelist SL Bhyrappa categorically defending the government, saying textbooks must teach students the truth, and not ideologies. Terming the textbook revision a "big shame", Krishna Kolhar Kulkarni, historian and researcher whose works were taught to students in Karnataka and Maharashtra, and is a Rajyotsava awardee, says, "This is purely politically motivated. The government's responsibility, irrespective of ideology, is to ensure communal harmony in society. Promoting a religion by targeting another through school textbooks does not send a good message. The government should rope in experts and educationists who are not affiliated to any political party or their wings, to ensure quality and fact-based lessons on History and Kannada literature in textbooks."

Call for revocation of revision

The National Coalition on Education Emergency (NCEE), a pan-India coalition of groups of individuals, organisations and networks to 'resume and renew' school education post the pandemic, has urged the state government to "revoke" revisions in the textbooks.

Calling the changes "regressive" and done in an "arbitrary manner, without adherence to well-defined curriculum framework and processes", the coalition has asked the government to print and supply textbooks which have been in use post the last revision, and "focus energies on addressing the serious education emergency in the state, prepare a road map, allocate sufficient resources and implement programmes to enable the children of marginalised and poor communities overcome learning deprivation due to the pandemic". The NCEE has called the process and substance of textbook revision "undemocratic and antithetical to the core values of our education system and Constitution, for several reasons".

> Textbooks need to be revised periodically because there is disruption in the world! Technologies change, policies change and to keep up with this fast-paced world, it is necessary for regular revision of books. But, the revision must focus on key elements for holistic development of students and touch upon areas like cyber security, investing money, thinking critically, identifying the purpose of life, physical and mental survival skills, handling relationships and personality development. It is unfortunate to see that the current Gen-Z is unable to handle adversities of life and many commit/attempt suicide. Therefore, for a successful life ahead, there is a dire need to make students street-smart, alongside being 'school smart'.
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> — Dr Ananth Prabhu, Mangaluru-based author, software engineer, motivational speaker and cyber security expert

The NCEE added that the government constituted a committee of seven men, who took the decision to add and drop chapters, without the broad consultation that has characterised textbook preparation in the past. "In sharp contrast, the 2014 Baraguru Ramachandrappa committee worked through 27 committees, comprising 172 experts, to revise the textbooks, and held several public consultations to hear diverse views. It is not known if the Chakrathirtha committee held any public consultations. The preparation of textbooks requires a high sense of responsibility, as textbooks are the primary resource to which lakhs of young minds will be exposed," the NCEE added.

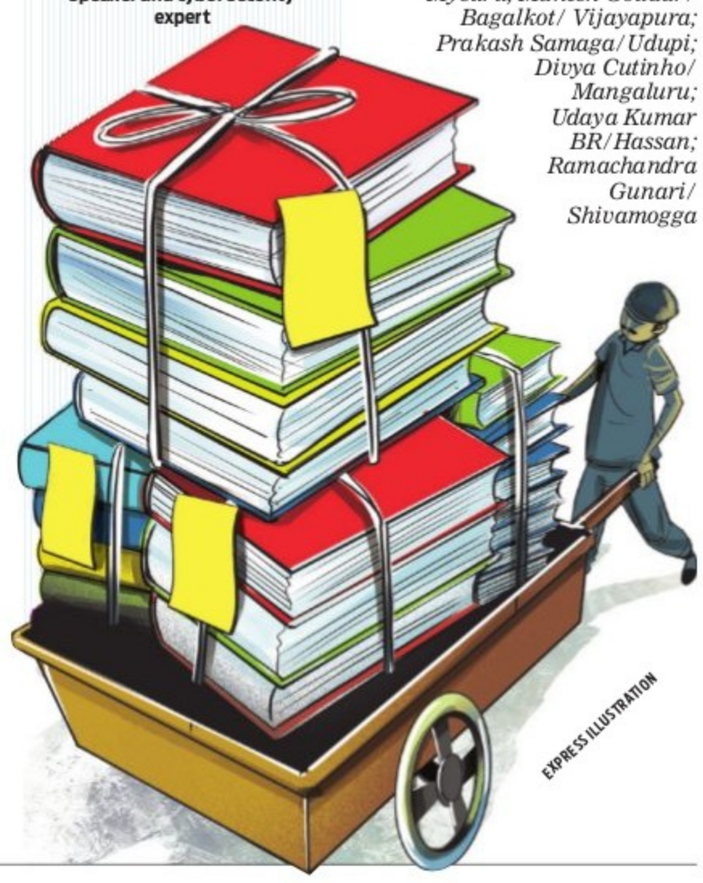
The coalition also pointed out that the Education Minister had announced that the committee would first submit a report which would be studied, and only then the revision would be done. "However, there is no evidence that the committee submitted a report for public discussion, preceding revision. The composition of the committee does not reflect the reality of Karnataka society," stated the coalition, alleging that it is dominated by Brahmins.

"The entire process (of revision) is undemocratic, opaque and does not follow principles of justice," says Dr Niranjanaradhya VP, development educationist, mentor of SDMCs and chief advocate of 'Neighbourhood Common School System' through State Funded Public Education.

"Lack of diversity undermines the committee's credibility. Denial of perspectives of those who have suffered social injustice over centuries, reinforces those injustices. The revision violates the aim of education articulated in the eponymous position paper of the National Curriculum Framework (NCF), 2005," says the NCEE.

The coalition has drawn the attention of the government to the plight of children, who suffered a "catastrophic situation during the pandemic without access to structured learning opportunities and textbooks. They need a variety of learning materials, including textbooks, which should reflect the ideals of social justice, democracy, egalitarianism and India's common cultural heritage (NCF 2005)," the coalition added.

Inputs from: Bala Chauhan & Shilpa P/ Bengaluru; Karthik KK/ Mysuru; Mahesh Goudar/ Bagalkot/ Vijayapura; Prakash Samaga/ Udupi; Divya Cutinho/ Mangaluru; Udaya Kumar BR/ Hassan; Ramachandra Gunari/ Shivamogga



EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

Cabinet rejig after June 15, new faces likely to find place

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THE BJP's much-awaited cabinet reshuffle is now scheduled some time in the third week of June, after the model code of conduct norms are eased.

With the reshuffle, the party hopes to address caste and regional aspirations which have not been fixed, though there are many contenders. Sources say that new faces could make it to the cabinet. Party General Secretary Ravi Kumar said, "The party will make every effort to address these concerns to the maximum extent possible."

Sources said the reshuffle could be carried out on June 16-17, when state General Secretary Arun Singh is expected to be in Bengaluru, and other preparations have been taken up too.

The stumbling block for the expansion are the two elections -- the Rajya Sabha

polls on June 10, when four MPs will be elected, and the Teachers and Graduates constituencies polls on June 13, when four MLCs will be elected. The earliest auspicious day available after that is June 16-17. The BBMP and ZP/TP elections are due shortly, but the BJP could go in for a cabinet reshuffle before officially announcing the poll schedules.

Sources said since this could well be the last reshuffle before the 2023 assembly elections, an effort will be made to include every group, community and interest. Reminded that a large number of districts have gone unrepresented since 2019, when the BJP government came to power, Ravi Kumar said, "We will try to rectify that."

Another factor which could affect the BJP is the exclusion of B Y Vijayendra from the cabinet. Former chief minister BS Yediyurappa, who has been seeking a berth for his son, has so far been unsuccessful, and has also failed to make him MLC. This may not bode well for the party in the assembly elections, say sources.

One senior political analyst said that after the cabinet reshuffle, there could be many who will leave the party with unfulfilled aspirations. The party is treading cautiously, and attempting to accommodate everyone in an election year, so there are no defections, sources added.

CM: Cong's anti-RSS stand will cost its base in K'taka

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CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai has said that the anti-RSS propaganda by the Congress, including party's Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah, will result in the Grand Old Party losing its ground in Karnataka similar to other states.

The Congress has been targeting the State Government for including RSS founder K B Hegdewar's speech in school textbooks. Siddaramaiah had asked, "Are RSS people native to India? Are Aryans native to this country? It is Dravidians who are originally from here." The statement drew sharp criticism from the BJP.

Coming in support of the RSS, Bommai said the organisation has been promoting patriotism and is engaged in social service.

On the textbook row, he hit out at the Congress for politicising the issue. "Primary and Secondary Education Minister BC Nagesh will answer them," he said.

On possible cross-voting during the Rajya Sabha elections, Bommai said, "Let us wait for June 10 (the day of polling)."

Forcible conversions, alleges Hindu Jagran Vedike, police deny

MANGALURU: The Uppinangady police visited a Christian prayer hall in Konalu village near Nelyady of Dakshina Kannada district on Saturday night after the Hindu Jagran Vedike (HJV) alleged that forcible religious conversions were being carried out there. Dakshina Kannada SP Rishikesh Sonawane, however, said there were no attempts of religious conversion and the people had assembled there voluntarily. He said when the police visited Moriah Retreat Centre, there were 27 people -- 18 women, eight men and six children -- all from Shikaripura in Shivamogga district, attending a prayer meeting. On being questioned, they told the police that many of them were suffering from different health issues and mental illnesses, while some of were alcohol addicts. They came to know about the retreat centre through Youtube and believed that attending prayer meetings will cure their diseases and addiction. They said they visited the retreat centre on their own and denied that there was any attempt to convert them. The SP said no case was booked against the retreat centre and all the 27 people were sent back. ENS

STRAWS IN THE WIND

Of stratagems and spoils in Singapore

When the Rajya Sabha polls were declared, former CM HD Kumaraswamy left for Singapore, much to the surprise of his party's rank and file. He cited it as a health check-up, but continued his tirade against bete noire and former CM Siddaramaiah. All through a series of tweets, the most effective way to get a message across these day. He alleged that Siddaramaiah was behind the collapse of the JDS-Congress regime which he had led. The purpose of this long-distance attack is still a mystery to many. Some leaders are speculating that there is a sudden fondness between Kumaraswamy and former CM B S Yediyurappa, which could find fruition in the June 10 RS polls. Until then, it's wait-and-watch to understand Kumaraswamy's strategy.

Circles of power, and blessings for Guv

Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot is the BJP high command's man, a Dalit leader who is also close to Union Home Minister Amit Shah, a Jain. Saints of the Jain community in Karnataka, especially in and around Bengaluru, have their own influence on Shah, according to sources. This influence could convert into something more for Gehlot, or so goes the buzz. The Governor was at a Jain community event on Sunday, where the Devanahalli temple's Sri Chandrayesha Soorishwar Maharaj reportedly blessed him with Presidentship. "Today you have laid the foundation stone for Rs 30 crore construction of a Jain school, and you will inaugurate it as the President," he said. President Ram Nath Kovind, also a Dalit, is to retire on July 25. It is also said that minister B Sriramulu has become an ardent devotee of a Jain saint of a temple in Bengaluru.

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> HD Kumaraswamy on rumours that he approached Congress veteran SR Patil

JDS MLAs won't betray party in RS polls: HDK

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EXPRESSING confidence in his party MLAs, JDS senior leader HD Kumaraswamy on Sunday said, "I am confident that our elected members won't betray the party and cast votes in favour of the party candidate in the June 10 Rajya Sabha polls."

At Bagalkot, he said, "It is true that leaders of both BJP and Congress are luring our party MLAs to win in the Rajya Sabha polls. I also admit that there are differences among elected members of our party. But it won't affect the Rajya Sabha polls. Irrespective of offerings from the national parties, our party legislators will support the party candidate."

On rumours that he approached Congress veteran SR Patil, he said, "I have not contacted anyone. But I am disappointed with the way Congress is treating Patil. Based on the future decisions of Patil, we will hold talks with him on joining JDS."

On Home Minister Araga Jnanendra's statement that they brought down the pants of Congress, Kumaraswamy said in Belagavi, "Let's create an environment where people of the state can live with respect and dignity."

He said, "RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat has said we should not see a temple in every mosque. But people are provoking others over religious sentiments. Why is the government silent?"

On Siddaramaiah, he said, "Why is he saying JDS is the B team of BJP? We had allied with BJP once. But Siddaramaiah was the reason for that. He is the one who has cheated many people. Congress will fall deeper in the coming days. There is no need for JDS or BJP to finish off Congress, their party leaders themselves will do it."

Never seen such irresponsible govt: DKS on textbook changes

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KPCC president DK Shivakumar on Sunday expressed displeasure over the alleged deletion of information on Dr BR Ambedkar and other important personalities in state textbooks. "I have never seen any state government behave so irresponsibly. In the Constitution, all religions, castes, customs and cultures are given equal rights. The CM's order on textbooks is confusing," he said.

Many seers from Muruga Mutt, Siddaganga Mutt, Panchamasali Mutt, Adi Chunchanagiri Mutt and many more have raised their voice against changes in textbooks and are fighting for justice, he said. "Writers and thinkers too have taken to the streets against the government's move and I congratulate them. Continue your fight. We will be with you," he added.

Channanna Valikar's poem has been removed from the Class 6 Kannada textbook. The social science textbook of Class 7 talks about social reformers, which also contains information about Ambedkar. But the earlier textbook had details of Ambedkar's parents, his place of birth and others that have been removed. References to Ambedkar's struggles, such as the Mahad Satyagraha and Kalaram Temple entry movements, are not part of textbooks anymore, he pointed out.

"The government is responsible for errors in textbooks. It has dropped or twisted ideas of many leaders, including Basavanna and Kuvempu," he alleged.

Odisha Governor Ganeshi Lal on Sunday administered the oath of office to 21 new ministers in the Naveen Patnaik government. The new ministry was sworn in after Patnaik asked all ministers to resign and went for a complete overhaul eyeing the 2024 polls.

Hyd gangrape: TRS neta's son held

Police have intensified probe into the alleged role of MIM MLA's son after video goes viral

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Hyderabad

THE fourth accused in the alleged gang rape of a 17-year-old girl at Jubilee Hills, a 17-year-old boy was apprehended by police on Sunday.

He is the son of an elected representative from TRS party belonging to Sangareddy district. "He is being produced before the Juvenile Court for safe custody," said Joel Davis, DCP West Zone.

So far, of the five accused, prime accused Saduddin Malik and three minors including the son of a Telangana Wakf Board top functionary have been apprehended. Efforts are on to nab accused Umran Khan, who is also believed to be from a political family.

Police have also intensified the probe on the alleged role of an MIM MLA's son, after an alleged video before the offence went viral.

The role of the boys along with the girl in the Mercedes prior to the offence, when she left the pub and went to an eatery is also being investigated.

Officers who are part of the investigation confirmed the MLA's son was seen in the video which was released by BJP leaders on Saturday which has gone viral on social media platforms.

Even as police are probing the source of the video leak, new videos of the victim with other boys were leaked and have been circulated on Sunday.

Despite police warning against leaking such information and also any details that may lead to the victim, her family and also the minor accused, the videos leaked on Sunday clearly showed the victim and other boys. Police are preparing to record the victim's statement once again. However, they are waiting for her to recover.

Strands of long hair, a woman's slipper, some face masks, sanitisers and shuttlecocks were recovered from the red Mercedes during examination by police

Another horror: 11-yr-old raped by duo in Telangana

Hyderabad: An 11-year-old girl was picked up and raped by a cab driver and his friend at Muslim Colony in Kondurg village. They have been arrested by Moghalpura police after two days of the incident. The victim resides with her grandmother in Moghalpura police station limits. Her parents residing in Pahadishareef comes every weekend to visit her. Since she was missing her parents, she decided to head to Pahadishareef by herself and went missing on May 31. The girl's uncle filed a missing complaint on June 1. Meanwhile, patrolling officers the same evening found a girl who looked similar to the missing girl. She was taken to the police station. With the help of Bharosa team, the minor revealed when she was heading to Pahadishareef, a cab driver Kaleem Ali offered her a ride and instead drove to Deccan Palace and picked his friend Luqman. The duo took her to Luqman's house in Kondurg village and allegedly sexually assaulted her.

PIT LEFT OPEN

Seven, including four teens, drown near TN check dam

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@Cuddalore

TWO women and five girls drowned after getting stuck in the mud near the Kedilam Check Dam in Cuddalore district on Sunday afternoon. Relatives of the victims complained the pit they'd died in had been formed by removal of sand some years ago and had been left open allowing water to stagnate.

M Navaneetham (20), of A Kuchipalayam village, and her sister-in-law of one month G Priya (19) had decided to take a dip in the pit near the check dam, and their relatives — sisters R Priyadarshini (13) and R Kaviya (11) — who had come from Kurinjipadi for the holidays, joined them, said a source from the Nellikuppam police station.

TN CM announces ₹5 lakh ex-gratia to kin of deceased

Tamil Nadu CM MK Stalin announced Rs 5 lakh ex-gratia to the kin of each victim. In a press statement, he said he was saddened to hear about the tragedy, and expressed his condolences to the bereaved.

"However, they got stuck in the mud. They drowned trying to rescue one another. Three girls from the same village — M Sumatha (16) A Monika (16) and A Sangavi (15) — who were playing in the water nearby, also tried to rescue them but drowned," source added.

On being informed by witnesses, youngsters came from the village and brought the girls out in an unconscious condition. Cops arrived from the Nellikuppam police station and sent the victims to the government hospital in Cuddalore by ambulance, but they were declared dead on arrival.

Meanwhile, personnel from the Cuddalore and Nellikuppam fire stations came and checked whether anyone else was stuck in the mud underwater. At the hospital, heart-rending scenes were witnessed as the kin of the deceased broke down on seeing the seven bodies.

Navaneetham's father, Mohan, said, "I lost my daughter, daughter-in-law, and five other relatives. The waterbody was formed when sand was taken two years back to construct the check dam, and a huge pit was formed. It wasn't covered, and water stagnated there."

Heat wave conditions in 116 places in Andhra

A roadside fruit vendor uses an umbrella to protect himself from the scorching sun in Vijayawada | PRASANT MADUGULA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Vijayawada

HOT days in Andhra Pradesh continue and on Sunday as many as 43 mandals reported heat wave conditions. Uppalapadu in the Prakasam district reported 44.3 Celsius in the last 24 hours ending 8:30 a.m. on Sunday. As many as 116 places in the state reported above 40 Celsius.

From 8:30 am to 8 pm on Sunday Macherla in the Palnadu district reported the highest daytime temperature of 44.23 Celsius. As per Andhra Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (APSDMA), as many as 13 mandals in Palnadu, five mandals each in Guntur and Visakhapatnam, four mandals each in NTR and Tirupati, three mandals each in Nandyal and Prakasam, two mandals each in Bapatla and YSR and one mandal each in Kakinada and Srikakulam reported heat wave condition.

The Discomfort Index showed 262 mandals facing hot conditions (feeling of temperatures being above 45 Celsius). People experienced severe stress during the daytime in these mandals.

It's jackfruit banquet for jumbos by forest dept

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Madikeri

A fruit banquet was laid out for wild elephants inside the reserve forest areas in Kodagu by the Kushalnagar division forest department as part of the World Environment Day celebration.

It is jackfruit season and wild elephants often venture into estates following the scent. However, the increased elephant movement causes major destruction of crops in the estates. As a temporary remedy, a large quantity of jackfruits was collected from private estates across Kushalnagar area and these fruits were ferried to the Anekaad and Atturu Reserve forest areas. "The elephants often venture into private estates looking for jackfruits and in turn cause damage to crops. We asked a few estate owners if we could collect the jackfruits. While some of the yield was retained by the estate owners, the rest was collected by the department. We shifted the jackfruits to the reserve forest and laid out piles of fruits inside the forest area on the usual elephant pathway," explained Shivaram, Kushalnagar RFO.

He added that this initiative was undertaken with self-interest from DCF and CCF. "This cannot be carried out regularly due to the dearth of funds. Transport cost is not feasible. This initiative was planned only for the environment day," he confirmed.

EXPRESS READ

Nadda on 2-day AP visit for poll preparation

Vijayawada: Asserting that the two-day visit of the party's national president JP Nadda would be a game changer for the party in Andhra Pradesh, the BJP state unit on Sunday said Nadda would give a direction on the party's approach to the 2024 elections. "The visit of Nadda is aimed at preparing the cadre for the coming elections," the party said. As part of his two-day visit, Nadda will arrive at Vijayawada on Monday and would participate in booth and state level committees meeting.

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Nation Resolves
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- PM Gati Shakti
  - Rs 100 lakh crore Multi-Modal Master Plan for building the infrastructure of New India
  - Better coordination between all schemes as well as departments through a single unified portal
- In last eight years, pace of highway construction increased from 12 km per day to 29 km per day; transport gets boost
- Under PM Gram Sadak Yojana, 3.27 lakh km of roads built in last eight years; more than 99% villages connected by pucca road
- Number of airports in country increased from 74 to 140, more than 96 lakh people avail benefits of affordable air travel under UDAN scheme
- Metro trains now running in 20 cities as against 5 cities earlier; urban commute becomes easier
- Focus on building world-class rail infrastructure and increasing speed of trains; Important initiatives like Eastern and Western Dedicated Freight Corridors, 'Made in India' Vande Bharat Trains and Kisan Rail undertaken
- Cargo movement on inland waterways grows nearly 7 times, delivery of goods is now cheaper
- Cargo handling capacity doubled at major ports, push to trade
- Atal Tunnel, world's longest tunnel at an altitude of 10 thousand feet, reduces travel time
- Prime Minister himself reviews execution of projects through Pragati Platform for time bound implementation

8 Years
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"New India of the 21st century is building one of the best modern infrastructure today. Better roads, better rail network, better airports, these are not just infrastructure projects, but they transform the entire region and change lives of people completely."

— Narendra Modi —

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Sri. MANJUNATH SHAMAIAH,** S/o late. Shamaiah Reddy, is intending to purchase the immovable residential **Southern Portion of property bearing Site No.58,** Khatha No.149/58, formed in Survey No.343/5, 343/6, Converted for residential purposes and issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District, vide order **No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)93/2002-2003, Dated: 20-7-2002,** situated at Begur Village, (Akshaya Nagar), Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru, presently BBMP Old No. 58, Sl.No.149, Khatha No.149/58, Situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Ward No.192 of Begur, Bengaluru, (As per Tax paid records property No.691/58, in Sy. No.343/5, 343/6, Situated at Akshayanagar, Yelenahalli, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 61 Feet and North to South 28 Feet, in all totally measuring 1708 Square Feet and bounded on the East by: Road, West by: Private Property, North by: Remaining portion of same property No.58 and South by: Road from its owner **MRS. PRAMILA N. MURTHY,** W/o Late Mr. A.K. Narasimha Murthy, aged about 68 years, residing at No.1/9, 2nd Floor, BDA Nisarga Enclave, Banashankari III Stage, Bengaluru-560085. If any persons have any claim, right, title and interest over the above said property can approach the undersigned with full details within 7 days from the date of this public notice. If no such claim over the above said property, my client is not responsible for any consequences arising there upon.

P.M. RAGHURAMA REDDY, Advocate No.16 & 17, 1st Floor, 2nd Cross, Bazaar Street, Near Bus Stand, K.R. Puram, Bangalore-560036. Mob: 9845191607 & 9886118457

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client intends to develop Property bearing Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Khata No.6263/ Sy No. 69,70, measuring 25 Guntas or 27228 Square Feet, carved out of converted land bearing Survey No.69, [converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural residential purpose vide Official Memorandum dated 07/05/2009, bearing No.ALN.S.SR(K):134/ 2008-09, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District] situated at Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, & bounded on the:
East by : Road
West by : Pathway and Private Property
North by : Road and Private Property
South by : Survey No.124 & 125
from its present owner Mrs.Kanthimathi and her children viz,. Mrs Ramyaashri K., Mrs.Malathi K. and Mrs.Malashree.
Persons having any right, claim/objection or interest over the said property may lodge their objections/claims with documentary evidence within 15 days to the undersigned.

Sri Satya Narayana Reddy,
Advocate, Snr Law Chambers,
No.313,10th Main, 100 Ft Road,
HRBR Layout, Bangalore-560043.
Ph: 9880846066 / 08029906068

LOST DOCUMENT

It is hereby informed to the general public my client Mrs. Vyshnavi Thota, D/o. Mr.Thota Dasaradha Rami Reddy, Aged about 42 years, Residing at C/o Sarat Reddy Anumula No. 306/244 KPCL Layout, Kasavanahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore- 560035 has lost the original mother deed ie., the registered Sale deed Dated 11.08.2003 executed by Mr. S. N Lakshman Reddy, S/o. C Narayana Reddy, Mr. S N Nagaraj, S/o. . C Narayana Reddy, Mr. S N Shankar, S/o. . C Narayana Reddy, Mr. S. N Rajendra Babu, S/o. . C Narayana Reddy, Mrs. Sarojamma, Mrs. Devatha, D/o. C Narayana Reddy, Master Madhu, (Aged 17years) S/o. Mr. S. N Lakhman Reddy , Master Yatesh(Aged 17 years), S/o. S N Nagaraj&Master Nirmit (Aged 15years), S/o. S N Shanker legal heirs of Narayana Reddy rep by GPA Holder Mr. Satish Kumar in favour of M/s.Celestial Warehousing Limited rep by its Director R Lakshmidevi with regard to sale of Sy No.25/2 measuring 950 sq ft, Registered as document No.9202/2003-04, book 1, Vol 115, In the office of the Sub Registrar Bangalore South Taluk, pertaining to his immovable property i.e residential plot property bearing BBMP Amalgamation Katha No.2778/2592/5/2,6,4, Site No.4 measuring East to west:19ft and North to South:50ft in all measuring 950Sft carved out of land bearing Sy.No. 25/2 which is dully converted for residential purpose Vide conversion order bearing No. B.DIS.ALN.(SR)S 92/94-95 Dt. 03.01.1995 situated at Kasavanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and bounded on:- East : By Road, West : Site No.5, North: Land in Sy.No.25/1,South: Road. Any person who found the above document may kindly hand over the same to the undersigned. In case if anybody misuse the above said sale deed document, my client is not held responsible for the same.

Sd/-
LAKSHMANA.M Advocate
No.168, 3rd Floor, Pooja Complex, 1st Cross, Kilari Road, Bangalore – 560 053
Bangalore
Date: 04-06-2022

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE XV ADDL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE
S.C.No. 329/2022

In the matter of the last Will and Testament of Mrs. Lakshmi Muthuswamy, Wife of late N.K. Muthuswamy, residing at premises bearing, #2B, Kubera Sampath, 5/2, 18th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560 055.

Petitioner: Mr. Ven Sherman, age 49 years, Son of Late N.K Muthuswamy, presently resident at No.2B, Kubera Sampath, 5/2, 18th Cross Road, Malleshwaram West, Bangalore - 560 055.

-Versus-

RESPONDENT ... Nil

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a Petition has been made to this Court under part IX, Chapter IV, Section 276 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925, for grant of probate of the last Will and Testament of Mrs. Lakshmi Muthuswamy, Wife of late N.K Muthuswamy, died on 25-8-2019, resided at premises bearing No. 2B, Kubera Sampath, 5/2, 18th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560 005 annexed hereto.

Be it known that No caveat has been entered and the said petition is posted for hearing on **08-07-2022** at 11 '0' Clock. Any person/s claiming to have any interest may come and participate before grant of Probate.

ANNEXURE A
VALUATION OF THE MOVABLE AND IMMOVABLE PROPERTY OF DECEASED

I. MOVABLE PROPERTY CONSISTING OF
(i) Cash in hands : Rs. : Nil
(ii) Cash in the Bank: Rs. : Nil
(iii) Household goods wearing Apparel, books, plates, Jewels etc (approximately)} } Rs.: Nil
Rs. SUB TOTAL: Rs.Nil
II. PROPERTY IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES TRANSFERABLE AT PUBLIC DEBT OFFICE : Nil
III. Immovable Property : Nil
Net Value of Estate Rs. Nil
IV. Leasehold Property : Nil
V. Policies of Insurance : Nil
Upon Life, Money out on Mortgage and other Securities, such as Bonds, Bills and other Securities for Money : Nil
VI. STOCK IN TRADE
i. 2 X Bharthi Airtel Ltd. valued at Rs. 1524/-
ii. 240 x Reliance Industries limited EQ valued to Rs. 6,27,756/-
iii. 250 X Reliance Power Ltd EQ valued at Rs. 3,900/-
iv. 300 X State Bank of India EQ new valued at Rs. 1,54,830/-
v. 5666 X Tata Teleservices (Maharashtra) valued at Rs. 10,76,540/-
VII. OTHER PROPERTY NOT COMPRISED UNDER THE FOREGOING HEADS
TOTAL Rs. : Nil
LESS
Deduct items shown in Annexure "B" in the manner provided in Sub Section (2) of Section 53: Rs. Nil
NET VALUE OF ESTATE: Rs. 25,00,000/-

ANNEXURE B
SCHEDULE OF DEBTS

I. **Amount of debts due and owing from the deceased, legally payable out of the estate**
II. **Amount of expenses connected with Medical Treatment to the deceased during his deathbed illness, funeral rites and ceremonies : Nil**
III. Amount of mortgage encumbrances: **Nil**
IV. **Property held in trust not beneficially or with general power to confer a beneficial interest**
V. Other property not subject to duty. Rs.: Nil
Total : Rs. : Nil

In the light of the details contained in Annexure's "A" and "B" hereto I submit that the Net value of the estate of the deceased is 25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty five lakhs only)
Given under my hand and seal fo the Court on this 2nd day of June 2022.
By order of the Court, Asst. Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore
Advocate for Petitioner: **ANKITH S. REDDY,** No. 59, 16th Cross, 4th Phase, J.P. Nagar, Bangalore-560 078. Ph: 9739121361

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पावरग्रिड POWERGRID

NOTICE

1. Approval under Regulation-86 of CERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations'1999 and CERC (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations' 2019 for determination of Transmission Tariff from Actual DOCO to 31-03-2024 for Asset-1: a) Shifting of 125 MVAR and 80 MVAR line reactors at Nellore (PG) from Nellore PS- Nellore (PG) 400kV D/c Line to Nellore (PG) - Sriperumbudur 400kV D/c Line (with suitable arrangement) and b) Bypassing Nellore PS- Nellore (PG) 400kV D/c (Quad) line and Nellore (PG)- Thiruvalam 400kV D/c Quad line at Nellore (PG) for making direct Nellore PS- Thiruvalam 400kV D/c (Quad) Line under Transmission System for controlling High Loading of Nellore (PG)- Nellore PS 400kV (Quad) D/C line in Southern Region.

2. The beneficiaries of the above mentioned Transmission system are: (a) KPTCL (b) APTRANSCO (c) KSEB (d) TNEB (e) Electricity Dept. of Goa (f) Electricity Dept. of Puducherry (g) APEDCL (h) APSPDCL (i) APCPDCL (j) APNPDCL (k) BESCOM (l) GESCOM (m) HESCOM (n) MESCOM (o) Chamundeswari Electricity Supply Corporation Ltd. (p) Transmission Corporation of Telangana Limited (q) TANGEDCO (r)TNTC

3. Tariff details:

Name of the Asset	Asset-I
Schedule DOCO (FR)	10.01.2021
DOCO (Actual)	30.04.2021 (Actual)
Estimated Completion Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	444.39
Tariff for year 2019-24 (Rs in Lakhs)	
2019-20	0.00
2020-21	0.00
2021-22	46.94
2022-23	66.20
2023-24	64.78

4. A copy of the application made for determination of tariff is posted on the website of the applicant at **www.powergrid.in.**

5. The suggestions and objections, if any, on the proposals for determination of tariff contained in the application be filed by any person, including the beneficiary before the Secretary, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, 3 & 4th floor, Chandralok Building, Janpath, New Delhi - 110 001 (or other address where the office of the Commission is situated), with a copy to the applicant at the address of its corporate office within 30 days of publication of this notice.

Place : Gurgaon
Date : 30.05.2022

Sd/-
Chief GM (Commercial)

PG/CC/Notice-07/Advt-12/2022-23 Nirman

POWER GRID CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED
(A Government of India Enterprise)
Corp. Office : "Saudamini", Plot No. 2, Sector-29, Gurugram-122001, (Haryana) Tel. : 0124-2571700-719
Reg. Office : B-9, Qutab Institutional Area, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi-110 016. Tel : 011-26560112, 26560121
www.powergrid.in, **CIN :** L40101DL1989GOI038121
A Maharatna PSU

IN THE COURT OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
LIC JEEVVAN MANGAL BUILDING,
NO.4, RESIDENCY ROAD, OPP. CASH PHARMACY,
NEAR BISHOP COTTON BOYS HIGH SCHOOL,
BENGALURU - 560 025
O.A. 493/2021

Between
IDFC BANK LTD., APPLICANT
AND
M/S. M S RETAIL PRIVATE LIMITED & OTHERS DEFENDANT

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23 (viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To,
1. **M/S. M. S. RETAIL PRIVATE LIMITED**
REPRESENTED BY ITS DIRECTOR MR. ANIL K MEHRA,
No. 21. Kumar Krupa Road, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560 001.
2. **MR. ANIL K MEHRA,**
S/O. MR. KRANTI MOHAN MEHRA,
No. 04/102, Lehnert Apartments, 10th A Main, 15th Cross, Malleswaram, Opp MLA Primary School, Bangalore - 560 055.
3. **MRS. MONIKA MEHRA,**
W/O. MR. ANIL K MEHRA,
No. 04/102, Lehnert Apartments, 10th A Main, 15th Cross, Malleswaram, Opp MLA Primary School, Bangalore - 560 055.
4. **MR. SHRAVAN MEHRA,**
S/O. MR. ANIL K MEHRA,
No. 04/102, Lehnert Apartments, 10th A Main, 15th Cross, Malleswaram, Opp MLA Primary School, Bangalore - 560 055.

WHEREAS: the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the above defendants for the recovery of Sum of Rs. 6,61,63,415/- (Rupees Six Crores Sixty One Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Fifteen Rupees Only) amount together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs.
The above mentioned defendants are required to appear therefore hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show cause on 12/07/2022 at 10:30 a.m. as why the relief's prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand the seal of the Tribunal on this 18/4/22.

Sd/-
SEAL
BY ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL
REGISTRAR
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL
BANGALORE

RBL BANK

RBL BANK LTD

Administrative Office: 1st Lane, Shahpuri, Kolhapur-416001
Branch Office: RBL BANK LTD at Ground Floor Prestige Towers, 99 & 100, Residency Road, Bangalore, Karnataka-560025

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

You the below mentioned Borrower and Co-borrower/ Guarantor have availed loan from **RBL Bank Ltd.** by mortgaging your immovable property. You the below mentioned Guarantor have stood guarantee in respect of the said loan so availed. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non-Performing Asset.** Assigned loan to/in favour of **RBL Bank Ltd. (Bank)** all its rights, title and interests, benefits, dues receivable from you under/in respect of the captioned loan agreement along with the underlying security interest created in respect of immovable property for repayment of the same.

Sl. No.	Name and Address of the Borrower, Co-borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. and Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be Enforced	Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs.
1	**M/S. AGASTHYA CLOTHING,** #9/1, 5th Cross, 2nd Main Ground Floor, Venkateshwara Layout, S G Palaya, Bangalore Karnataka-560029 **(Borrower). MR. PRABHAKAR M S,** #9/1, 5th Cross, 2nd Main Ground Floor, Venkateshwara Layout, S G Palaya, Bangalore Karnataka-560029. **Also At: M/S. AGASTHYA CLOTHING,** #9/1, 5th Cross, 2nd Main Ground Floor, Venkateshwara Layout, S G Palaya, Bangalore Karnataka-560029 **(Co-Borrower). MRS. KOKILAVANI,** #9/1, 5th Cross, 2nd Main Ground Floor, Venkateshwara Layout, S G Palaya, Bangalore Karnataka-560029 **(Co-Borrower, Guarantor & Mortgagor). MR. RAMDAS,** #6/23, Sowbhagya Nilaya Balaji Cross, Kathriguppe Main Road, Near Balaji Grainates Viveknandanagar, Banashankari III Stage, Bangalore Karnataka-560085 **(Co-Borrower).**	**Loan Account No. 809001370811 Rs.68,24,254/-** (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakh Twenty Four Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Four Only) **Loan Account No. 809001370972 Rs.12,54,200/-** (Rupees Twelve Lakh Fifty Four Thousand Two Hundred Only) **both together for a sum of Rs.80,78,454/-** (Rupees Eighty Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Four Only)	**SCHEDUEL-I (EASTERN PORTION OF SITE):** All that piece and parcel of property Bangalore City Corporation Under 35 Division bearing Site Nos.169 and 170, New No.23, Old Property No.78/2, situated at Suddaguntepalya, Venkateshwara Nagar, Thavarekere Village, Bangalore South Taluk, Now under the limit of BBM Ward No.63, PID No.63-84-23, measuring East to West: 30 feet/9.14 Meters, North to South: 35 feet/10.66 Meters, in all 1050 Sq.ft/97.54 Meters., along with building constructed therein, and **bounded on the East by:** Private Property, **West by:** Ramachandra Setty's Property, **North by:** Road and, **South by:** Property Sold to K Chinnu. **The property is owned by SMT. KOKILAVANI. SCHEDUEL-II (NORTHERN SIDE OF EASTERN PORTION OF PROPERTY):** All that piece and parcel of property Bangalore City Corporation Under 35 Division bearing Site Nos.169 and 170, New No. 23, Old Property No.78/2, Khata No.78/2, situated at Suddaguntepalya, Venkateshwara Nagar, Thavarekere Village, Bangalore South Taluk, Now under the limit of BBM Ward No.63, PID No.63-84-23, measuring East to West: 30 feet/9.14 Meters, North to South: 35 feet/10.66 Meters, in all 1050 Sq.ft/97.54 Meters., along with building constructed therein, and **bounded on the East by:** Private Property, **West by:** Ramachandra Setty's Property, **North by:** G Vivekanand Remaining Property, **South by:** Property Sold to K Chinnu. **The property is owned by SMT. KOKILAVANI.**	31.05.2022	Rs. 75,08,959.86 (Rupees Seventy Five Lakh Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Nine And Eighty Six Paisa Only) With further interest and charges thereon

The Bank has pursuant to the recovery of outstanding dues, issued demand notice u/s 13(2) of the Act with rule 13(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 as and by way of service upon you. Details of the Borrower, Co-borrower, Guarantor Property mortgaged, outstanding dues, **demand notice** under Section 13(2) and amount claimed there under are given as below. You the Borrower and Co-borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor are therefore called upon to make payment of the above mentioned amount due with further interest payment in full within **60 days** of this notice, falling which the undersigned shall be without any further reference constrained to take action under the said act to enforce the above mentioned security.
Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **RBL Bank Ltd.** against the borrower and guarantors of the said financial under the law. You are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the above secured asset, without our prior written consent.

Place: BANGALORE, Date: 04.06.2022 **Authorised officer, RBL Bank Ltd.**

MAHILA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.

A.O. # 14, South End Road, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore - 560 020. Phone: 23562229 / 23460051

Rule 8(1) Schedule IV POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of the **Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd. Bangalore** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest (SARFAESI) Act., 2002, and In exercise of power under section 13(2) read with Rules 9 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice on the dates mentioned below calling therein upon the within-named Borrowers / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned below within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of the said notice.
The within - named Borrowers / Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is hereby given to them and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of the powers conduct on him under Section 13 (4) of the said of the Act read with rule 9 of the Said Rules of the below mentioned date.
The Borrowers / Guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property in any manner whatsoever and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd. Bangalore** For the amount, interest & other charges thereon.

SL. No.	Name of Borrower	Descriptions of the property	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount Outstanding in Rs.
1.	**1) Sri R. Kumaran S/o V. Rathnam** No. 153, 2nd 'D' Main Road, Near Corporation Bank (UBI), Koramangala 8th Block, Bengaluru-560095. **Guarantor: 1) Smt. K. Sheela W/o R. Kumaran,** No. 153, 2nd 'D' Main Road, Near Corporation Bank (UBI), Koramangala 8th Block, Bengaluru-560095. **2) Sri Ganesh K. S/o K. Kuppa Swamy,** No. 1034, 14th Cross, Rajendra Nagara, Bengaluru - 560095.	All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing Corporation No. 153, BDA No. 153 of layout formed by BDA, Situtated at Koramangala 8th Block, BBMP Ward No. 67, Bengaluru, **Measuring:** East to West: 7.70 Mtrs. and North to South: 6.10 Mtrs. having a total extent of 505.58 Square Mtrs. and **bounded on the: East by:** Site No. 163, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Property No. 154, **South by:** Property No. 152.	21.03.2022	31.05.2022	Rs.55,39,096/- + A/c No. IPL EMI-323 With further interest & other charges as on 19.03.2022
2.	**1) Sri Vinaya G. S/o Gururaj M.** No. 19, Brindavana, 13th Cross, Near Sri Vinayaka Temple, 13th Cross, Devasandra, Bengaluru-560036. **Guarantor: 1) Smt. Suma S. W/o Vasudev Rao,** No. 19, Brindavana, 13th Cross, Near Sri Vinayaka Temple, 13th Cross, Devasandra, Bengaluru-560036. **2) Smt. G. Shashi Rekha W/o Vasudeva Rao,** No. 19, Brindavana, 13th Cross, Near Sri Vinayaka Temple, 13th Cross, Devasandra, Bengaluru-560036.	All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing Site No. 17, BBMP Khatha No. 253/71/2/17/250/250, Old Site No. 71/2 in Old Khatha No. 250 of Devasandra Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, BBMP Ward No. 53, Bengaluru, **Measuring:** East to West: 30 Feets and North to South: 40 Feets having a total extent of 1200 Square Feets and **bounded on the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No. 18, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No. 16.	21.03.2022	31.05.2022	Rs.48,71,369/- + A/c No. IPL - 443 With further interest & other charges as on 20.03.2022
3.	**1) Smt. K. Yashodha W/o Late R. M. Swamy, 2) Sri Prasanna Kumar R. M. S/o Late R. M. Swamy, 3) Kum. Neelajakshi R. M. D/o Late R. M. Swamy, 4) Sri Satish R. M. S/o Late R. M. Swamy, 5) Kum. Chandana R. M. D/o Late R. M. Swamy** All are residing at: No. 208, 12th 'A' Cross, 1st Main Road, West of Chord Road, 2nd Stage, Mahalakshmipuram, Bengaluru-560086.	All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing present Corporation No. 208, New PID No. 067-W0151-14, Old PID No. 14-74-208, Situated at Layout formed by BDA, West of Chord Road 2nd Stage (WOC Road 2nd Stage, 12th 'A' Cross, 1st Main Road, Mahalakshmipuram), BBMP Ward No. 14, Bengaluru. **Measuring:** East to West: 45'-0" Feets and North to South: 27'-0" Feets having a total extent of 1215 Square Feets and **bounded on the: East by:** Site No. 194, **West by:** 1st Main Road, **North by:** Site No. 207, **South by:** Site No. 209.	28.03.2022	31.05.2022	Rs.94,90,740/- + A/c No. IPL - 274 With further interest & other charges as on 25.03.2022
4.	**1) Smt. Kariyamma W/o Ramakrishna C.** No. 82/83, New No. 18, Behind Sandeepini School, Nagadevanahalli, Jnanabharathi Post, Bengaluru- 560056. **Guarantors: 1) Sri Ramakrishna C. S/o Chikkanna,** No. 82/83, New No. 18, Behind Sandeepini School, Nagadevanahalli, Jnanabharathi Post, Bengaluru- 560056. **2) Smt. Deepa P. Patil D/o Parvatha Gowda Patil,** No. EWS-224, 1st Stage KHB Colony, Basaveshwaranagara, Bengaluru-560079. **3) Smt. Lingamma W/o Late Chikkanna.** No. 82/83, New No. 18, Behind Sandeepini School, Nagadevanahalli, Jnanabharathi Post, Bengaluru- 560056.	All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing Site No. 18, present BBMP Khatha No. 2158/1/1392/2263/763/A/2/10/18, Old Khatha No. 2/10 of Nagadevanahalli Village, Bengaluru South Taluk, now comes under BBMP Kengeri, Bengaluru. **Measuring:** East to West: 32'-0" Feets and North to South: 53'-0" Feets having a total extent of 1696 Square Feets and **bounded on the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Property No. 17 of Siriyappa, **South by:** Road.	30.03.2022	31.05.2022	Rs.65,64,843/- + A/c No. IPL - 287 and EMI - 296 With further interest & other charges as on 30.03.2022

Date: 04.06.2022
Place:Bangalore.

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POSSESSION NOTICE

See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Axis Bank Ltd.,** under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantor / Mortgagors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 6 & 8 of the said Rules on below mentioned dates.
The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.
The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors in particular and the Public in General are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charges of the **Axis Bank Ltd.,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Dr. C Manjunath Swaroop, # 92, 7th Cross, 7th Main, 3rd Phase, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560078, **Dr. C Manjunath Swaroop, Also at:** Shanbhag Hospital, No. 6, Thimmat Layout, 1st Main 3rd Main, 3rd Stage, 2nd Block, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bangalore-560079, **Dr. C Manjunath Swaroop, Also at:** #150/15, 69th Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010, **(2) Mrs. Rashmi H K,** # 92, 7th Cross, 7th Main, 3rd Phase, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560078.
Loan A/c No : PHR000901725745 & PHR000901720192 Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.87,31,684.00/- (Rupees Eighty Seven Lakhs Thirty One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Four Only) being the amount due as on **04.02.2022** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 07.02.2022 **Possession Notice Dated : 01.06.2022**
DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE ASSET : PROPERTY 1 : For Loan No. PHR000901725745 : SCHEDULE-A : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal Corporation No. 9 (Old Municipal Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 5/1, 6, 7, 7/1, 8, 8/1 and 9) situated in Binnyston Garden, Magadi Road, Municipal Ward No. 29, Bangalore, having an extent of 7,05,759 sq. ft. (less 11025 sq. ft. relinquished to Bangalore Mahanagar Palike for widening of road) and bounded by: To the East: Magadi road and property of Guruvanna Davara Mutt and Public Road, To the West: Private properties, To the North: Land and building og Arogya Bhavana and Guruvanna Devara Mutt, To the South: 11th Main Road known as Kempapura Agrahara Main Road, Mariappanna Palaya and private properties.
SCHEDULE – B : 0.0579% undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in Schedule "A" property (which comes to 402.298 sq. ft. land share in Schedule A property).
SCHEDULE – C : All that residential apartment bearing No. J 207 in second floor of Tulip Block forming part of "THE GARDENS" built in Schedule A property and apartment measuring 968 sq. ft. of super built up area inclusive of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use and with exclusive right of usage of one car parking slot bearing No. J-207 in lower basement level and the apartment bearing Municipal No. 9/660, Binnyston Garden, Magadi Road, Municipal Ward, No. 120 of Chickpet and the apartment is bounded by: East: Open towards open spaces and apartment No. J 203 on second floor in Tulip block of The Gardens, West: Open towards Open Space of The Gardens, North: Apartment No. J -208 on second floor in Tulip Block of The Gardens, South: Lift and lobby on second floor in Tulip Block of The Gardens.
PROPERTY 2 : For Loan No. PHR000901720192 : All that piece and parcel of the residential property site No. 1470, BDA Site No. 1470, Sir M Visveshwaraiah Layout, 3rd Block, Bangalore measuring East to West: 18 mtrs and north to South: 12 mtrs., total measuring 216 sq. mtrs. or 2325.023 sq. ft. and bounded as follows: North: Site No. 1469, South: Site No. 1471, East: Road, West: Site No. 1466 and 1467.
For any clarification please contact Mr. Ekanthraj at 918152053027

2. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Rohith K, S/o Krishna Kumar, # 635, 2nd Floor, 6th Main, 6th Cross, HAL 3rd Stage, New Tippasandra, Bangalore North - 560075 **Also At: Rohith K,** Axis Bank Ltd., No.09, MG Road, Block A, Bangalore-560001. **(Applicant/Mortgager) (2) Smitha** W/o Rohith K, # 635, 2nd Floor, 6th Main, 6th Cross, HAL 3rd Stage, New Tippasandra, Bangalore North - 560075, **Also At: Smitha,** Kilmist Infotech Ltd., #222 1st Floor, Ujini Pinnacle, 1st Main Road, Domlur, 2nd Stage, Bangalore- 560071 **(Co-Applicant/Mortgager).**
Loan A/c No : PHR007701188132 & LPR007702737846 Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.31,23,004.00/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Twenty Three Thousand And Four Only) being the amount due as on **17.08.2021** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 18.08.2021 **Possession Notice Dated : 01.06.2022**
Description of the Property : Non-agricultural immovable property held on jenm right, situated at Kudlu Village, Kasaragod Taluk and District, within jurisdiction of SRO Kasaragod and Madhur Grama Panchayath comprised in: **Item No. 1: RS No.** 345/1 Apt, **Kissam:** Bagayath, **Extent A.C H.A.Sq.M:** 0.10 acres (00.04.05) **Remarks** : As per the plan attached to D.No. 2513/2000 of SRO. Kasaragod, R.S. No. 345/1A4. Along with all improvements situated therein, including the Building Door No. M.P. XIV/429. **Boundaries:** East: Panchayath Road, West: Plot of Sukumara, South: Plot of Ashokan, North: Private Road.
For any clarification please contact Mr. Rohith Kumar at 9036623023.

3. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mrs. Madhumitha Natarajan Kumar D/o Natarajan, No.390, 5th Cross, 8th Main, Vivek Nagar, Bangalore-560047 **Also At:** No. 35/1, Old Cement Lane, Austin Town, Bangalore-560047 **Also At:** Executive Assistant, Expreis IT Pvt Ltd., Chanlery Pavilion Annexe, 135&136, Residency Road, Behind Chancery Hotel, Bangalore-560025 **Also At :** Client Place, Cisco Systems India Pvt Ltd., Cessna Park, Sarjapur Marathahalli, Bangalore-560103 **Also At :** Site No.286, 6th Main Road, BBMP PID No.71-1-286, Sommenahalli Further Extension, Vivek Nagar, Bangalore-560047. **(Applicant/Mortgager) (2) Mrs. Jayanthi Rani** W/o Natarajan No.390, 5th Cross, 8th Main, Vivek Nagar, Bangalore-560047 **Also At:** No. 35/1, Old Cement Lane, Austin Town, Bangalore-560047 **Also At:** Site No.286, 6th Main Road, BBMP PID No.71-1-286, Sommenahalli Further Extension, Vivek Nagar, Bangalore-560047. **(3) Mr. Natarajan (Co-applicant/mortgager)** S/o Adimulam, No.390, 5th Cross, 8th Main, Vivek Nagar, Bangalore-560047 **Also At:** Site No.286, 6th Main Road, BBMP PID No.71-1-286, Sommenahalli Further Extension, Vivek Nagar, Bangalore-560047 **(CO-APPLICANT/MORTGAGER).**
Loan A/c No : PHR000902052310 Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.38,46,602.00/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Six Hundred Two Only) being the amount due as on **28.06.2021** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 29.06.2021 **Possession Notice Dated : 01.06.2022**
Details Of Mortgaged Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of the immovable house property bearing site no.286 * 286/1, BBMP PID No.71-1-286 & 71-1-286 & 71-1-286/1 respectively, the layout formed by the Bangalore Development Authority, situated at 6th Main Road, Sonnehahalli Further Extension, Viveknagar, Bangalore-560047, measuring East to West : 25 ft and North to South : 25 ft, in all measuring 625 Sq.ft & bounded : East by : Site no.285, West by : Site no.287, North by: Site no.286/A, South by : Road. Along with 3¼ Square AC Sheet roofed built in thereon, constructed with cement and bricks, the doors and windows are made out with jungle wood, red oxide flooring with all civic amenities like water, electricity and sanitary facilities in the schedule property.
For any clarification please contact Thrimoorthy-9036773553

4. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mr. Dharmendra Verma, 109, Wildrose Drive Victoria Texas USA-77904, **And Also at: Mr. Dharmendra Verma,** Coastal Bend President, Gastroenterology, 109, Wildrose Drive Victoria Texas USA-77904, **And also at: Mr. Dharmendra verma,** C o Prem Singh Verma, No 13 001 Mantri Residency, Near Meenakshi temple, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076, **And also at: Mr. Dharmendra Verma,** Villa No-B-01, Site No-216, Pride Crosswinds, Sy No-185, Bukkasandra, Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560076 **(2) Mrs. Archana Chandrupatla,** 109, Wildrose Drive Victoria Texas USA 77904, **And also at: Mrs. Archana chandrupatla,** Coastal bend, Manager, Gastroenterology, 109, Wildrose Drive Victoria Texas USA-77904. **(3) Mr. Narendra Verma** (GPA Holder-Executed Loan Documents) S/o Prem Singh Verma, NB6, Officers Mess, Air Force Tanning Command, Hebbal, Bangalore-560006.
Loan A/c No : PHR067700826078 Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.66,41,616.00/- (Rupees Sixty Six Lakhs Forty One Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen Only) being the amount due as on **18.02.2022** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 19.02.2022 **Possession Notice Dated : 01.06.2022**
Schedule A Property : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted lands measuring an extent of 10 Acres comprised in Survey No.183/1 and 23 Acres 18 Guntas comprised in Sy. No.185 situated at Bukkasagara Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District duly converted by various conversion orders for residential uses and purposes as mentioned below:

Sl No	Survey No.	Extent	Kharab	Regd. As Doc No.	Regd. Date	Conversion Order No.
1	183/1	10-00	0-20**	1067/84-85	11-09-84	ALN.SR. (AG) 471/95-96 dt.18-11-96
2	185	5-00		646/84-85	07-07-84	ALN.SR. (AG) 471/95-96 dt.18-11-96
3	185	5-18**		654/84-85	09-07-84	ALN.SR. (AG) 471/95-96 dt.18-11-96
4	185	8-00		33465/06-07	24-03-07	ALN.(AJ). CR 2/05-06 dt.21-03-07
5	185	5-00		33461/06-07	24-03-07	ALN.(AJ). CR 4/05-06 dt.21-03-07

Schedule B Residential Site : Residential Site Bearing No.216 released by Anekal Yojana Pradhikara vide their letter dated 10.09.2015 assigned Khaneshmari No 375/1/216 by the Kaluballu Village Panchayat, forming a part of the residential layout known as "PRIDE CROSSWINDS" formed on a part of the Schedule A Property and comprised in Sy.No.185 of Bukkasagara Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District duly converted for non- agricultural residential uses and purposes measuring East to West 78.46 feet and North to South 47.88 feet totally measuring 3756 sq.ft is being sold under this deed and bounded on the: East by : Site No 231, West by : Road, North by : Site No. 217, South by : Road.
Schedule C Villa : Villa bearing No.B-01, constructed on the Schedule B Residential Site with a total Saleable Area of 3489 sq.ft comprised in Ground + First floor and constructed in accordance with the specifications mentioned in the Annexure to this deed is being sold under this deed.
For any clarification please contact Mr. Thrimoorthy S at + 91 9036773553.

5. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mr. Ajay Kapparath (Applicant) No. 18/192, First Floor, 5th Cross, Kirloskar Colony, Bangalore- 560079. **And Also: Mr. Ajay Kapparath S,** Primesite, No. 31/1, 2nd Main Road, Vyalikaval, Bangalore-560003. **(2) Mrs. Chandrika (Co-Applicant),** No. 18/192, First Floor, 5th Cross, Kirloskar Colony, Bangalore-560079.
Loan A/c No : 245010600670968 Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.26,46,969.00/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty Nine Only) being the amount due as on **20.04.2021** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 20.04.2021 **Possession Notice Dated : 02.06.2022**
Details Of Mortgaged Property : Schedule -A : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing municipal No. 36, pipeline, Bangalore, Ward No. 2-Jalahalli, Situated in Raghavendra Colonly and facing Pipeline road, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore, measuring on the North – Eastern side 227 feet 6 inches, on the South – Eastern Side 96 feet 3 inches + 70 feet 6 inches + 32 feet 2 inches + 28 feet 4 inches, on the South – Western side 172 feet 10 inches and on the North – Western side 201 feet 2 inches totally measuring 4202 Square feet and bounded on: East : Private Property, West : Remaining Portion of Sy. No. 80, North: Pipe Line Road, South : Private Property.
Schedule - B : 1.78 % undivided share right title interest and Ownership in the schedule – A Property (which comes to 804 Sq Ft land share in the Schedule – A Property).
Schedule - C : All that residential apartment bearing No. 202 in 2nd floor of Tranquil Block in TRINETRA RETREAT built in schedule – A property and measuring of built up area+ balcony = 1202 Sq Ft + Common area 252 Sq Ft = Super built up area of 1454 Sq Ft of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use and totally measuring 1454 Sq Ft of super built up area with exclusive right of usage of one Basement top covered car parking space in the Basement floor.
For any clarification please contact Mr. Thirmoorthy. S – Mobile No- 9036773553

6. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mr. C Pillegowda, S/o Mr. Chennappa C S, R/o No. 252, A-Block 80 feet Road, Opposite to Nandini Booth, Vijayanagar III Stage Mysore- 570017. **Also at : Mr. C Pillegowda,** Branch Manager, Karnataka State Co-operative Marketing Federation Ltd, Mandya-571401. **Also at : Mr. C Pillegowda,** No. 261/1, Seegehalli Village, Kannamangala Post, Whitefield, Bangalore-560115. **(Applicant /Mortgagor) (2) Mrs. Gowramma. M** W/o Mr. C. Pillegowda, R/o No. 252, A-Block 80 feet Road, Opposite to Nandini Booth, Vijayanagar III Stage Mysore-570017. **Also At: Mrs. Gowramma. M,** No. 261/1, Seegehalli Village, Kannamangala Post, Whitefield, Bangalore- 560115. **(Co-Applicant/ Mortgagor)**
Loan A/c No : PHR015102738057 Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.2,46,05,784/- (Rupees Two Crore Forty Six Lakhs Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Four Only) being the amount due as on **28.07.2021** and interest thereon.
Demand Notice Dated : 06.08.2021 **Possession Notice Dated : 02.06.2022**
Details Of Mortgaged Property : All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being the residential Plot bearing No A-28 (RECTANGULAR), (Seegehalli Grama Panchayath Khata No.124/A-28- Property bearing No. 150200401700520489) measuring East to West 80 Feet and North to South 50 Feet , thus in all measuring 4000 Square feet, which includes parking space measuring 480 Square feet and being a portion of the property carved out of various converted Survey numbers in the project known as Sterling Villa Grande situated at Seegehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on: East by : Landscape, West by : Road, North by: Villa # A-29, South by: Villa # A -27.
(Villa Constructed on aforementioned property): All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being the residential Villa bearing Villa No A -28(RECTANGULAR), (Seegehalli Grama Panchayath Khata No.124/A-28- Property bearing No. 150200401700520489) TYPE A (RECTANGULAR) in the project known as Sterling Villa Grande having built up area of 3680 Square feet having Marble flooring, garden area measuring 620 square feet, open sit out on Level No.01, measuring 205 Square Feet, and open party area on Level No.2 measuring 853 Square feet, with all modern amenities.
For any clarification please contact Mr. Thirmoorthy. S – Mobile No- 9036773553

Date : 02.06.2022
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Axis Bank Ltd.,

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client had entered into an Agreement of sale to purchase the Flat/ Apartment bearing No. C-403, BBMP KHATA No:2290/2785/2279/1301 **C-403**, on the Fourth Floor, consisting of a Three Bed Room Apartment, in Tower "C" in the Multi- Storied building known as **"PURVA HEIGHTS"**, having super built up area measuring 1460 square feet, along with a car parking space in the Basement, with proportionate undivided 0.406% share share (equivalent to 484.12 square feet) constructed on the property bearing Municipal Khata No.1301 issued by Bommanahalli City Municipal Council(earlier Madiwala Notified Area Committee Katha No. 963, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No.14), Bilekahalli Village Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, from its lawful owners **1) Mr. RONALD REGO**, aged about 64 years, S/o Late Mr. Thomas Rego, **2) Mrs. JANET REGO**, aged about 57 years, W/o Mr. Ronald Rego, Both are residing at: No:303, ARAFA CLASSIC, 92 Wheeler Raod Extension, Next to ITC Factory Bus Stop, Cooke Town, East Railway Station, Bengaluru-560 005.

The owners have represented/informed my client that they have lost/misplaced the original sale deed Dt: 21/6/2004, Registered as document No. BAS-1-06911/2004-05, Document stored in C.D.No.BASD72 of Book 1, registered in the office of Sub-Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, for which, they have lodged a complaint to the Jurisdictional Police.

Any person or persons, Banks, Financial institutions etc., having any valid right, title interest or any claim over the aforesaid property or any portions of it in any manner may with documentary evidence lodge their objection/claim within 10 days from the date of this notice with the undersigned, if no valid objections are received within the stipulated date, my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the aforesaid property.

Sd/- **K.VENKATA SUDHEER**, Advocate,
NO:548/51/1, Ist floor, Andal Temple Street, Garuthman Park, R.V.Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560 004 Mobile: 9845682098

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is information to the General Public that my clients **UDAY MULLANGI**, S/o Jagadeeswara Gupta Mullangi & **PRATHYUSHA MULLANGI**, W/o Uday Mullangi, Both r/a No.261/a-1, 8th Main, Gururaj Layout, Behind Vidyapeeta, BSK 3rd Stage, Thyagarjanagar, Bangalore-560 028, are entered in to agreement of sale for purchase of the Schedule property from its owner **JAYAMMA**, W/o Late.M.Sampangi, R/a No.59, 4th Cross, LIC Colony, Jayanagar 3rd Block East, Bangalore-560 011, presently R/a No.17, at 2nd Main Road, 9th Cross, K.R.Layout, Bangalore-560078. If anybody having any right, share, claim or objection to the proposed purchase may file their objections in writing along with copies of supporting documents, within **10 days** from the date of this publication to the purchaser's advocate at below mentioned address, failing which my client will be advised to go ahead and complete the formalities for registration of the sale deed in respect of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing **No.17**, Khatha No.24/3, situated at **2nd Main Road, 9th Cross, K.R.Layout, Sarakki Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk**, presently comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP having New Property No.24/3-17, Ward No.186, Bangalore, Situated in **Sarakki Lake to way to Sarakki Grama Main Road, 9th Cross, K.R.Layout, J.P.Nagar 6th Phase, Bangalore** and bounded on the:

East by : Government Road,
West by : Property No.18,
North by : Property No.16,
South by : 25 Feet Road,

MEASURING:
EAST TO WEST : 40 feet
NORTH TO SOUTH : 53 feet
IN ALL MEASURING: 2120 square feet
Along with existing building.

R.R.Upadhya, Advocate
RAVISHANKAR ASSOCIATES,
#92, 2nd Main Road, Between 7th & 8th Cross, Chamrajpet, Bangalore -18 Mob: 9241102941

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, my clients **Sri. Sunil Muthuswamy**, S/o. S. Muthuswamy, and his wife **Smt. Geetha Sunil**, both are residing at No. 604, 4th B Main Road, Bhuvanagiri, OMBR Layout, Banasawadi, Bangalore-560 043, have intends to purchase below mentioned Schedule Property from **Mr. Roy George**, S/o. P.V. George, residing at No. B-1, Chartered Raga, No. 12, MC Pherson Road, Cooke Town, Bangalore-560 005, along with the builder **AKRITI HOMES**, represented by its Proprietor **Mr. Karan Lalit Kumar**..

Any person/s having any objection/s regarding the said sale transaction may contact the undersigned advocate with relevant documents within two (2) days from the date of this publication, failing which it shall be deemed that there is no objection of any nature and my client will complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Eastern Portion of property bearing Site No. 13, being a part of House List Katha No. 431, formed in Property No. 121, Situated at Byrathi Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now within the limits of BBMP, in ward No. 54, measuring on the East by 63 feet, on the West by 62 feet, on the North by 25.5 feet and on the South by 26.25 feet & bounded on the:

East by : Private Property,
West by : Middle portion of same site No. 13,
North by : Private Property,
South by : 16 ½ feet wide Road.

Consisting of 2192 Sq. feet of RCC roofed duplex residential building.

Sd/- **B.V. MANJUNATHA**, Advocate,
No. 5, 1st floor, GNR Complex, Nehru road, Kammanahalli, Bangalore-560 084.
Cell No. 98860 57247/98452 15207

CHANGE OF NAME

I, KIRAN SHIDAKAPPALA (Father) Residing at No.4203/1-2, 8th Main, Swamy Vivekananda Badavane Davangere -577004. Have changed my son name from UTSAV KIRAN THURUCHAGATTA to UTSAV KIRAN. Vide affidavit dated: 3-6-2022. Before notary Ratna.N Bangalore.

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT NELAMANGALA
C. Misc. No. 126/2022

PETITIONER: Sri Gangaiah @ Gangaiah .T & others
-V/s-
RESPONDENT: The Thasildar (Registrar of Births and Deaths), Nelamangala Taluk, Nelamangala.

I, **GANGAIAH @ GANGAIAH** .T, S/o Late Govindaiah, aged about 70 years, R/at Hanuman Temple, Thorepalya, Byrasandra Dakle, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District the petitioner and others above named have filed the above petition against the respondent for obtaining the death certificate of petitioner's father by name **Govindaiah S/o Moodlaiah**, who died on **25.08.1982** at the above address.

And whereas the above petition is fixed for hearing on **02.07.2022** before the Hon'ble Civil Judge and J.M.F.C at Nelamangala. You are hereby summoned who are interested in this regard to appear to answer the same. If you failing which the petition will be disposed of on exparte.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 31.05.2022

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge, (Junior Division) and JMFC, Nelamangala.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Revanna**
B.H. Road, Nelamangala Town, Nelamangala Rural District.

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is intimated to general public at large that my client **Smt. Kamala Devi,** W/o. Sri. Om Prakash, aged about 38 years, R/at. No. 1/49, 8th Cross, 1st Main, Nandini layout, Bengaluru - 560 096. The schedule property was acquired by me from Amar Ram on 18.06.2018 through registered sale deed. The original sale deed (mother deed) dated 24.07.1980 registered as No 5009 & partition deed dated 15.02.2003 registered as No 26370 pertains to the schedule property was lost/misplaced while shifting my vendor Amara Ram house. Any body found this original sale deed & partition deed kindly return/handed over to the same to my client or the below mentioned my advocate address. In this regard Amara Ram lodged a police complaint in respect of the lost document which is registered as lost report 129026/2018 on 23.07.2018.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the immovable property bearing **No.271,** PID No.042-W0077-64, BBMP Katha No.388 in Sy.No.10 of Laggere Village, earlier comes under Dasarahalli Ward No.26, now in BBMP Ward No.42 in Lakshmi Devi Nagar, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru - 560 057, Measuring East to West 40 feet, North to South 30 feet totally measuring 1200 Square feet which is bounded on.

East by: Site No.321, **West by** : Road, **North by :** Site No.270 present Road, **South by :** Site No.272 present No.387.

Sd/- **S.P. Sathish**, Advocate
No. 5/1, 2nd Floor, S.L.N Mahal, Link Road, 3rd Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560 003. Ph : 9448725118

PUBLIC NOTICE

PURCHASE OF PROPERTY

My client **SRI. SURENDAR SINGH** S/o Sri. Chhtar Singh R/at. No.302, 3rd Floor, 6/35, Parvathi Enclave, 9th Cross, 4th Main Road, Adarsh Nagar, Chamrajpet, Near T.R. Mill, Bengaluru-560018 is intending to purchase the Property mentioned in the schedule below from its owner **SMT. T. MALLIKA** W/o Sri. D. Venkatesh residing at Bangalore Members of the public are hereby notified of the said sale transaction and if any person or financial institution has any claim, right or title over the property, they may come forward and file their objections to the transaction in writing by providing details of their claim and right over the lands with the undersigned advocate within 7 days from today. On failure, of any objections being filed, my client shall proceed with the sale transaction and it shall be deemed that no one has any claim or right on the lands and any right that may exist are waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential house with ground floor, First, Second and Third totally measuring 258.55Sq. meter, super built-up area with RCC Roof, with verified tiles, built on property No.23, old No.32, PID No.55-922-23 situated at Dattathreya Nagara, Hosakerehalli, Ward No. 161, Old Ward No.55,Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru, within the jurisdiction of BBMP measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet totally measuring 1200 Sq ft and bounded on the;

East By : Property No.29, West By : Road, North By : Property No.33, South By : Property No.31.

KRISHNA .R, Advocate
No.6, 3rd Floor, Gurukripa Building 8th Cross, Malleswaam, Bangalore-560 003. Mobile: 9980806738

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 1ST ADDL. CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT NELAMANGALA
C. Misc. No. 130/2022, C. Misc. No. 131/2022, C. Misc. No. 132/2022, C. Misc. No. 133/2022, C.Misc.No. 134/2022

PETITIONER: Sri.Abdul Samad S/o Late Abdul Kuddus & two others -V/s-
RESPONDENT: The Thasildar (Registrar of Births and Deaths) Nelamangala Taluk, Nelamangala.

I, Abdul Samad S/o late Abdul Kuddus and others above named R/at Lakkur Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District have filed the above petition against the respondent for obtaining the death certificate of (1) petitioners Great Grandmother by name **JULEKHA BI W/O HAYAT SABI**, who died on **09.10.1960**. (2) petitioners Grandfather by name **HABIB SAB S/O HAYAT SABI**, who died on **14.05.1970**, (3) petitioners Grandmother by name **SARAMBI W/O HABIB SAB**, who died on **10.10.1976**, (4) petitioners Father by name **ABDUL KUDDUS S/o LATE HABIB SAB**, who died on **10.08.1988**, (5) petitioners Grandfather by name **HAYATH SABI S/o LATE SABI**, who died on **04.03.1958** all are died at above mentioned address.

And whereas the above petition is fixed for hearing on **04.07.2022** before the Hon'ble Civil Judge and J.M.F.C at Nelamangala. You are hereby summoned who are interested in this regard to appear to answer the tame. If you failing which the petition will be disposed off an enquiry.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on 04-06-2022.

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge, (Junior Division) and JMFC, Nelamangala.

Advocate for Petitioner: **PAVITHRA .S**
B.H. Road, Nelamangala-562123.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client **Sri Vishwanathan Ganeshan,** S/o Sri Ganeshan, residing at No. 13, 4th Cross, Sunrise Colony, Cholanagar, RT Nagar, Bangalore-560032, has lost the undermentioned original documents, 1. GPA dated 05-01-1993, executed by Sri Papaiah in favour of Sri. Srirama 2. Affidavit dated 05-01-1993, executed by Sri Papaiah 3. Consent deed dated 27-05-1995, registered as document No.1955/1995-96, registered at the SRO, Peenya, Bangalore, in respect of the site bearing No. 13, situated at Cholanayakanahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk.

Notice is hereby given to all the general public that whoever find the above mentioned Original documents, may kindly inform/contact the undersigned within **15 days** of publication of this notice. After the said period, my client will treat the above original documents as lost permanently and will take further steps in accordance with law as he deem fit.

Note: This Publication is given in accordance with the Complaint dated 19-05-2022 vide Lost Report No.0225614/2022. filed before the Bangalore City Police.

ADDRESS: **N.M. BHAT & ASSOCIATES**
Advocates
No.64, 71st Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagara, Bangalore-10. Phone No. 9448129256
Landline No. 080-23500874
DATE : 04.06.2022

IN THE COURT OF THE II ADDL. PRINCIPAL JUDGE, FAMILY COURT, AT BANGALORE
M.C No. 5359/2021

BETWEEN:
Mrs.S.E. DIVYAPRIYADARSHINI, Aged: 41 Years, W/o Mr. R. Allen Prabhu, Residing at No.56, "SNEHALAYA" 2nd Main Road, Williams Town, Benson Town Post, Bangalore-560 046.
Mob: 98456 39157 **...Petitioner**

AND:

1) Mr. R. ALLEN PRABHU, Aged: 45 years, S/o Late. S.Rajan and S/o Mrs. Anthoniamma (Mother) Residing at New No.3, (Old No.13/10) Hennur Village, Near Mudala ENT Clinic, Chellakere, Behind Jain Heights, Kalyannagar, Bangalore-560 043 Mob: 96980 11722 & 96869 45123 **...Respondent No.1**

Also Residing at: Mr. R. Allen Prabhu, S/o Late. Rajan, C/o Anthoniamma, No.63, **"BETHEL COLLEGE"**, Visweswara Nagar, Arabic College Post, Bangalore-560 045.

Mr. R. Allen Prabhu, S/o Late. Rajan, C/o Mrs. Deepa Thomas & Mrs. Prabha Mob: 97410 20204, Old No.149/ New No.58, S.G.Palya, Bhovi Colony, 5th Cross, Thavarekere, Bangalore-560 029 **...Respondent**

2) Mrs. Deepa Thomas, Aged: 35 years, W/o Mr. K.Raja (Ex-Husband) Residing at No.149 (Old), New No.58, S.G.Palya,Bhovi Colony, 5th Cross, Thavarekere, Bangalore-560 029.

SUMMONS TO THE RESPONDENTS SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICTION THROUGH NEWSPAPER UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 (1A) READ WITH SECTION 151 OF THE CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE-1908, ON RESPONDENTS LAST KNOWN ADDRESS.

That the Petitioner named above has instituted the Divorce Petition against the above named Respondent 1 & 2 under Section 10(1), (ix) and (x) of the Divorce Act, 1869 in the Divorce Petition **MC: 5359/2021**. The petitioner has taken a final step of service of Summons through News paper publication in INDIAN EXPRESS Bangalore Edition. Hence, you are hereby summon to appear before this Hon'ble Court, II Addl. Family Court, Bangalore in person or through a pleader **on 2.08.2022 at 11.00 a.m** to respond the same, failing which the case against you will be heard and decided EX-PARTE in favour of the Petitioner.

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Court this 27th day of May 2022.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Sheristedar,
Family Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Plaintiff:
S. Eswara Rao, Advocate, No.56, "Snehalaya" 2nd Main Road, William's Town , Bangalore-560 046.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, my clients **Sri. Hemaram Rathore**, S/o. Chanda Ram, and his wife **Smt. Bhavana Rathore**, both are residing at House No. 1, 1st floor, Annaiah Nilaya, No. 36, 3rd Cross, Papanna Layout, Subbaiahnapalya, Bangalore-560 033, have intends to purchase below mentioned Schedule Property from **Sri. K. Muniraja, S/o. Krishnappa**, residing at Chikkabanasawadi, Bangalore-560 043, along with the agreement holder **Sri. N. Raja and Sri. Saravanan. V.**

Any person/s having any objection/s regarding the said sale transaction may contact the undersigned advocate with relevant documents within three (3) days from the date of this publication, failing which it shall be deemed that there is no objection of any nature and my client will complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing portion of Site No. 5, House List Katha No. 751/712/3, situated at Subbaiahnapalya Village, K.R.Pura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, Now this property comes under the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, in ward No. 27, Situated at Halehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 15 feet and North to South: 48 feet, totally measuring 720 Sq. feet, & bounded on the:

East by : Road,
West by : Private Property,
North by : 4 feet Passage,
South by : Road.

Consisting of 720 Sq. feet on the ground floor and 720 Sq. feet on the first floor, RCC and Mangalore tiles roofed building.

Sd/- **B.V. MANJUNATHA**, Advocate,
No. 5, 1st floor, GNR Complex, Nehru road, Kammanahalli, Bangalore-560 084.
Cell No. 98860 57247/98452 15207

Government of karnataka

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER CMC HASSAN

Ph:No.08172-268276,233702, e-mail:commn_hassan@yahoo.com
NO:CMC:ES:Municipal Fund:2022-23 Date:03.06.2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION

1)Name of the work: Commissioner CMC Hassan invites tender for operation and maintainance of different types of street lights in ward no.1 to 35 of the hassan city limits. Under the head of the account Municipal Fund for the year 2022-23 through e-portal. 2)Work Indent No.: DMA/2022-23/EL/WORK/INDENT_132281 3)Estimated cost : Rs.97.50 Lakhs 4)Eligibility of the contrctor: Registered Electrical contrctor under section 2000. 5)Last Date of submission of tenders : 21/06/2022. 6)For Queries Contact web site no.: www.e-procurementportal.com

Sd/- Commissioner, City Muncipal Council, Hassan

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RAMA DEVI WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY, BHUBANESWAR

TENDER CALL NOTICE
NO. 2750 DT. 4.6.22

CAD-727: Sealed tenders are invited from manufacturer/ authorized dealers/ Suppliers having GSTN number for supply of **SPORTS GARMENTS AND EQUIPMENTS** for the Sports Council, Rama Devi Women's University. Tender details and documents are available on the University website **www.rdwuniversity.nic.in**. Tender papers complete in all respects should reach the Registrar, Rama Devi Women's University, Vidya Vihar, Bhubaneswar-751022 on or before **19/06/2022 by 5.00 PM** through speed post/ registered post/ courier/ by hand. The tender papers will be opened on **20.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** Interested bidders are requested to be present at the time of opening of the tender paper. The authority reserves the right to accept/cancel any tender(s) without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/- Registrar
OIPR- 11031/11/0003/2223

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The online application can be submitted at https://admissions.iittp.ac.in/tihphdadmissions/

Last date for the submission of Online Applications is 30.06.2022

SCAN ME

IN THE COURT OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I,
LIC Jeevan Mangal Building, No.4, Residency Road, Opp. Cash Pharmacy, Near Bishop Cotton Boys High School, Bengaluru - 560025.

O.A.152/2020
Between
Axis Bank Ltd., ...Applicant
And
Smt. Anupama K Malagi & Others ...Defendant

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDANT UNDER RULE 23 (viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, OF 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To
3. Samruddhi Reality Limited, Represented By Its Authorised Signatory
Mr. Dharmesh M Kuvalekar,
The Landmark, No.21/51, 4th Floor, M G Road, Bangalore-560001.

Whereas the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the above defendants for the recovery of sum of **Rs.64,42,203/- (Rupees Sixty Four Lakhs Forty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Three Rupees Only)** amount together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs.

The above mentioned defendants are required to appear therefore hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show cause on **12.09.2022 at 10.30 a.m**. as why the relief's prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand the seal of the Tribunal on this **24th day of May 2022.**

By order of the Tribunal
Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal
Bangalore

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नाभिकीय ईंधन सम्मिश्र / **Nuclear Fuel Complex,**
Power Distribution, 2nd Floor, Sarathi Building, ECIL Post, Hyderabad – 500 062

निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना / NOTICE INVITING TENDER

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, उप मुख्य कार्यपालक(सीईडी,पीडी,ईपी,एमएस एवं एमपीएस), सारथी भवन, नाभिकीय ईंधन सम्मिश्र, हैदराबाद–500062, निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए पात्र ठेकेदार जिन्होंने इसी प्रकार के कार्य और क्षमताएँ रखने वाले कार्य किए हैं से मुहरबंद मद दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित किए जाते हैं। ई– निविदा के लिए CPP Portal (URL:https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app) को देख सकते हैं।

On behalf of President of India, Dy. Chief Executive(CED, PD, EP, MS & MPS), Sarathi Bldg, Nuclear Fuel Complex, Hyderabad-500062, invites sealed item rate Public tenders from the eligible contractors who have executed works of similar nature and magnitude for the following works. E-tender, visit CPP Portal (URL:https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app)

S. No.	Tender Notice No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	(EMD) (Rs.)	E-tender processing fee	Tender sale period	Last Date of online submission of bids	Date for submission of hard copies	Due date of Opening bids (Part-I)
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.
1.	NFC/PD/05/ 2022 (E-Tender & Single Part Tender)	Supply & Testing of Protection Relays at various Substations of NFC, Hyderabad	Rs. 15.3 Lakhs.	Rs. 30,600/-	NIL	06.06.2022 to 20.06.2022	20.06.2022 upto 18:00 Hrs	28.06.2022 upto 14:00 Hrs	28.06.2022 at 15:00 Hrs

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उप मुख्य कार्यपालक(सीईडी,पीडी, ईपी, एमएस एवं एमपीएस), / **Dy. Chief Engineer (CED, PD, EP, MS & MPS)**
भारत के राष्ट्रपति के लिए एवं की ओर से / **For & On behalf of the President of India**

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited

(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No.: SEE/EE/Tr/W&M/DVG/EE/AEE-2/F-114/22-23/Cys-15 Date: 04.06.2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Procurement mode only)

KPTCL invites e-tenders in the prescribed form from Reputed Manpower Licensed Agency for the following works on contract Basis.

1. Bid Enquiry No.: **KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)/DVG/EE(O)/AEE-2/2022-23/5/ Dated: 01.06.2022** for Providing Security services through contract agency to following Offices in Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Davanagere through e-procurement portal. 220 KV Station Madure (Hosadurga) - 4 Persons. 220 KV Station Benkikere (Channagiri) - 4 Persons.

2. Bid Enquiry No.: **KPTCL/SEE/TR(W&M)/DVG/EE(O)/AEE-2/2022-23/6/ Dated: 01-06-2022** for Providing the service of One No. Driver to Departmental Vehicle (consisting of Arial Work forma, truck, sky ladder vehicle and scuffolding type 400 KV Hotline maintenance system vehicle) to Hot line Sub-division, Chitradurga in the jurisdiction of Transmission (W&M) Circle, Davanagere oncontract basis through out source agency.

Tender will be accepted through **e-Procurement** mode only. For further details, prospective Bidders are advised to logon to website: **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or **https://www.kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** & click on to hyperlink **e-procurement-kptcl** to participate in e-Procurement portal on or after **06.06.2022.**

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Electy),
Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Near Stadium, Hadadi Road, Davanagere. Ph: 08192-250774, Fax: 08192-231469.

Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.

Corporate Office : 802, Natraj By Rustomjee, Western Express Highway, Sir M.V. Road, Andheri East, Mumbai - 400 069, Maharashtra.
Nelamangala Branch : 1st floor, Katha No. 658/A, Vinayaka Nagar, Arishinakunte, Near Honda Showroom, Nelamangala, Banglore - 562 123, (Karnataka).
Yelahanka Branch : #293, 2nd Floor, SMK Complex, Ist Main Road, Chikkabommasandra Circle, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore - 560 064, (Karnataka).
Kengeri Branch : Site No 1107,2nd Floor, 1st Main Road, Kengeri Satellite Town, Opposite to Dominos, Kengeri - 560060 (Karnataka).
KR Puram (Old Branch Whitefield) : Office No. 1218, 2nd Floor, Pooja Complex, Old Madras Road, KR Puram, Bangalore - 560 036, (Karnataka).
Jayanagar Branch : Office No. 180, Amrutha ,5th Main, 4th Block West, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011, (KA).

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd.(AHFL) under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s)to pay to AHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to AHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

Sl No.	Name of the Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower / Guarantor (s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property
1.	(Combined Loan Code 22700000571 **KR Puram (Old Branch Whitefield) Branch)** **Savithramma R** (Borrower) **Ramesh C** (Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 14,15,481.00	Site No 71 Property No 123, Khatha No 265/ 71 And 294/71, Sulikunte Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru - 562125, Karnataka.
2.	(Combined Loan Code 22700000750 **KR Puram (Old Branch Whitefield) Branch)** **Arun Kumar G** (Borrower) **Bhavya V** (Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 10,92,799.00	29 3 Site No 45, Sy No 29 3, Byalala Village Thavarekere Hobli, Bengaluru- 562130 , Karnataka ,
3.	(Combined Loan Code 22994001305 **Kengeri Branch)** **Sumithra N** (Borrower) **Late H C Govindaraju** (Co Borrower) (Represented through the Legal heirs)	13.05.2022 ₹ 20,01,106.00	Site No 23, Sy No 31 3, Katha No 555 31 3, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli, Bengaluru-560049, Karnataka
4.	(Combined Loan Code 22800000080 **Nelamangala Branch)** **Ramesh P** (Borrower) **Sushma R** (Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 26,78,849.00	Khatha No 23 2, Site No 9, Srikantapura Anchepalya, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560073 , Karnataka.
5.	(Combined Loan Code 22800000005 **Nelamangala Branch)** **Phaneendra Rao R** (Borrower) **Bhavya G K** (Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 12,10,302.00	Site No 52, Khata No 966 457 52, Sy Nos 1 15 1 And 117, Suradhenpur village, Hesaragatta , Bengaluru-560090 , Karnataka
6.	(Combined Loan Code 22800000035 **Nelamangala Branch)** **Vanajakshi G** (Borrower) **Keshava C B** (1st Co Borrower) **Ramya C B** (2nd Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 2,07,150.00	Site No 3, Sreekantapura Anchepalya Village Dasanpura Hobli, Bengaluru- 562123 , Karnataka.
7.	(Combined Loan Code 21500000031 **Yelahanka Branch)** **Manohar S** (Borrower) **Hemavathi S** (1st Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 9,69,410.00	Site No 16, Khatha No 326, New No 5005, Assesment No 16 3, Doddabidarikallu, Yeshw anthpura Hobli, Bengaluru-560073, Karnataka
8.	(Combined Loan Code 18800004197 **Jayanagar Branch)** **Late Prabhu K** (Borrower) (Represented through the Legal heirs) **Hemalatha S** (Co Borrower) **Ravi K** (Guarantor)	13.05.2022 ₹ 9,18,299.00	Na Flat No 102, First Floor, Srinivasam Apar tment ,Sarakki Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru- 560078 , Karnataka.
9.	(Combined Loan Code 21500001184 **Yelahanka Branch)** **Ashok Kumar N** (Borrower) **Anitha M** (Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 6,75,205.00	37 10 No 37 10 Valagerahalli, Vadarapalya Village, Kengeri H,obli, Bengaluru- 560060, Karnataka.
10.	(Combined Loan Code 21400001324 **KR Puram Branch)** **Late Bhanwar Lal Swami** (Borrower) (Represented through the Legal heirs) **Manju** (Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 20,97,218.00	Sy 09, Property No 9 3, Bilishivale Village Doddagubbi Main Road, Site No 03, Old Katha No 9 3, Prty No 9, Blishivale Village Doddagubbi Main road, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru-560049 , Karnataka
11.	(Combined Loan Code 21500001311 **Yelahanka Branch)** **Late Shameem Ahmed** (Borrower) (Represented through the Legal heirs) **Shakeeb Khatun** (Co Borrower)	13.05.2022 ₹ 15,54,010.00	Sy No 16, Puttenalli Village, Eastern Portion of Site No 42, Puttenalli Village Uttaahalli Hobli Bangalore-560078, Karnataka

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to AHFL as aforesaid, AHFL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of AHFL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Place : Nelamangala, Yelahanka, Kengeri, KR Puram & Jayanagar **Authorised Officer**
Date : 06.06.2022 **Aadhar Housing Finance Limited**

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Ph :** 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.33,36,026/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Thirty Six Thousand and Twenty Six only)** as on **30-12-2021** together with further interest to be charged from **31-12-2021** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. Vijayashree E-Bazaar, No.66/7, Chamaraj Mohalla, Mysore - 570010. No.2) Mr. Chandrasekar, S/o. Kuppuswamy, No.28/1, Vision India, New Sayaji Rao Road, Mysore - 570001. No.3) Mrs. Sowbhagya Lakshmi, W/o. Chandrasekar, No.28/1, Vision India, New Sayaji Rao Road, Mysore - 570001. No.4) Mr. S. Manjunath, S/o. Shambusivaiah, No.90, Sameerapura, Chamrajapet, Bangalore - 560018.**

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
(Property Owned by Mr. S. Manjunath, S/o. Shambusivaiah)

Property bearing Old Door No.90, New No.1-4, situated at 2nd Cross Road, Ist Main Road, Sameerpura, Kempegowdanagar, Corporation 49th Ward, Bangalore City measuring : East to West : 30 feet and North to South : 30 feet consisting of Mangalore Tiled House and Common Passage, bounded on : East by : Property No.1-4, West by : Property belonging to Keshavaiah Now belonging to Adiseshiah Setty, North by : 6 feet Common Passage, South by : House Munnajiraya.

Reserve Price : Rs.60,00,000/-
(Rupees Sixty Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
24-06-2022	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Basavanagudi Branch,** No.194, Ground Floor, S.C.Road, Near Nettakallappa Circle, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560004. Telephone No.080-26612162, Cell : No.9343879470.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself/herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru Basavanagudi Branch, No.194, Ground Floor, S.C.Road, Near Nettakallappa Circle, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru - 560004. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.**, together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-26612162, Cell No.9343879470. (5)** The property/ ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the Sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 04-06-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

SHRIRAM HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

DEMAND NOTICE

Registered Office: Office No.123, Angappa Naicken Street, Chennai-600 001. **Head Office:** Level 3, Wockhardt Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai 400 051. **Website:** www.shriramhousing.in

Whereas the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors/ mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from SHRIRAM HOUSING FINANCE LTD. We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the borrowers/guarantors have committed various defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorized Officer of SHRIRAM HOUSING FINANCE LTD. under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon the following borrowers /guarantors /mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices.

The notices issued to them on their last known addresses have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower (S) Co-Borrower(S)	Outstanding Amount	Loan Amount	Property Address of Secured Assets
Loan A/c No. SLPHBGLR0000919 & SLPHBGLR0001289 **1. MR. RATHNAIAH S/O Marappa, R/at: No. 105/4, 1st Cross, I Main Road, S R Compound, Arekere Gate, B G Road, Behind Bpl Factory, Bangalore – 560 076** **Also at: Sridevi C.E.S, #7/8,3rd Main Road, Marenahalli, Jayanagar, 5th Block, Bangalore – 560 0711** **2. MRS. ANNAPOORNA DEEPIKA S L W/O Rathnaiah, R/at: No. 105/4, 1st Cross, I Main Road, S R Compound, Arekere Gate, B G Road, Behind BPL Factory, Bangalore – 560 076** **NPA DATE - 8th May, 2022** **DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE:** 21st May, 2022	Rs. 1,23,59,778/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Three Lakhs Fifty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Eight Only) in respect of Loan Account No. SLPHBGLR0000919 as on 21.05.2022 and Rs. 26,61,540/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Sixty One Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Only) in respect of Loan Account No. SLPHBGLR0001289 as on 18.05.2022	Rs. 1,20,29,420/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Lakhs Twenty Nine Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Only) in respect of Loan Account No. SLPHBGLR0000919 and Rs. 24,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakhs Only) in respect of Loan Account No. SLPHBGLR0001289.	All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site No. 4, Khatha No.341/105/4, Property No. 105/4, Khatha No. 105, Situated at 1st Cross, S.R. Compound, Arekere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, presently comes under the jurisdictional of BBMP Ward No. 193 – Arakere, Bangalore, measuring East to West (65+58)/2 ft. and North to South 30 ft. totally measuring 1,845 Sq. ft and bounded on: East by: Private Property. West by: Road. North by: Site No. 3. South by: Site No. 5.

In the circumstances as aforesaid, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/ or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.

Please note that under Section 13 (13) of the said Act, no Borrower shall, transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

Place: BANGALORE Sd/- Authorised Officer
Date : 06/06/2022 Shriram Housing Finance Ltd

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THE SECRET OF GETTING AHEAD IS GETTING STARTED › MARK TWAIN

EDITORIAL

Like water in a haunted place that, without being imbibed, dries up: such is the wealth acquired by a worthless person who neither enjoys it himself nor gives

Siddhartha Gautama

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— Ramnath Goenka

DEALING WITH TARGETED TERROR, RESTIVE PANDITS

The BJP counts Kashmiri Pandits and other non-Muslims in J&K as its core support base. The recent delimitation of constituencies was arguably aimed at levelling the playing field so as to give non-Muslims a fair chance at ruling the Union territory. Yet, with elections just a few months away, it is this section that has turned restive. The issue is not about livelihood but of life, as targeted killings, mostly by hybrid terrorists under the security radar, has triggered a massive wave of panic. While the minorities employed in Kashmir sought transfers out of the Valley, the administration went halfway by shifting them from their current postings in remote villages to district headquarters in Kashmir that have better security cover. Relocation out of Kashmir would have been read as capitulation. It would go against the Centre's policy of muscular response to terrorists and their handlers in Pakistan. But losing the non-Muslim goodwill is also not what the BJP had budgeted for while re-engineering the state into a Union territory after withdrawing its special powers a few years ago. It's in a catch-22 situation.

With the first big wave of terror and exodus of Pandits from their hearths and homes in the Valley in the early '90s still fresh in people's memory, Delhi apparently does not want to be seen as validating a fresh round of 'ethnic cleansing' through transfers out of Kashmir. The violence has, however, derailed its development agenda and employment generation initiatives that were the main talking points for polls. A fresh round of resentment has broken out as a list of 177 transferees to various district headquarters in Kashmir was leaked online. Pandits argue they may feel reasonably safe at home in towns in the Valley but travel for work or school is fraught with risk despite better policing. Unsurprisingly, many of them have already relocated on their own to Jammu, deciding against letting themselves be live baits for terrorists.

The upcoming Amarnath Yatra would be yet another security test. Going forward, if India can boldly explore ties with the Taliban regime in Afghanistan, it could as well take the initiative to restore diplomatic relations with Pakistan so as to change the security dynamic in Kashmir. The earlier the better.

AIADMK, BJP SPAR FOR OPPN SPACE IN TN

The AIADMK seems to be slowly waking up to the elephant in the room, the BJP. Recently, senior AIADMK leader C Ponnaiyan openly chastised the party for trying to grow in TN at the AIADMK's expense. He listed out imposition of Hindi, opposition to NEET, state autonomy, the BJP's step-motherly treatment towards Tamil Nadu in water disputes such as Cauvery and Mullaiperiyar, and its "support to Sri Lankan government that was behind the killings of 1.5 lakh Tamils in the 2009 war" to underscore his point that the saffron party's ideology is diametrically opposite to that of the AIADMK. According to him, the alliance with the BJP was merely an electoral adjustment.

Ever since K Annamalai, a former IPS officer, took over as state president of the BJP last year, the party has been pursuing an aggressive agenda, both to strengthen itself and target the ruling DMK, on a range of issues including claims on GST dues from New Delhi and the DMK's poll promise on fuel price cuts. On the contrary, a docile AIADMK has been losing the perception war with the BJP over taking on the DMK. Though the two top AIADMK leaders, Edappadi K Palaniswamy and O Panneerselvam, have been fairly successful in weathering the Sasikala storm, they have not been able to shrug off the image that the dual leadership is an arrangement of convenience and not conviction. Though the AIADMK is still the only party in TN that can rival the DMK in organisational depth, cadre strength and political legacy, the perceived leadership weakness can weaken it in the long run.

The AIADMK has always been a party driven by larger-than-life-personalities like MGR and Jayalalithaa. The raison d'être for its formation by MGR in 1972 and its sustenance ever since has been its ability to challenge the DMK. The party is now found wanting in both charismatic leadership and political will to take on the ruling party. The recent bravado of AIADMK leaders against the BJP may have been born out of this exigency to prop up the party. Failure of the Dravidian major to take quick remedial measures and strengthen its political base could prove to be a blessing for its saffron ally.

If our country is to be great, we need to get our children to be great. And that happens in our schools, our homes, our streets and in the kind of representative lives we lead

KIDS MATTER: CHANGING SOCIETY, THE JAPANESE WAY

HARISH BIJOOR

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SOUMYADIP SINHA

A few days ago, I found myself walking the streets of many US cities. The idea is to finish and add an end-cap qualitative statement to city culture for a study that covers as many as 21 different urban agglomerations across the globe. This will take me in the coming months to Istanbul, Beijing, Tokyo, N'Djamena and 16 other buzzing mega-cities of the world.

As my travel-weary feet cover 36,000-plus steps every day, the learning is wide and deep. Every city has changed and every piece of culture is continuously evolving. There is the "new city person" and "the old city person". The two are like chalk and cheese.

The purpose of this piece is however not to bemoan the diversity of it all, as much as to knit together a perspective that floats above the fog and envelopes the attitude and behaviour of the big-city person. Let me explain. Let me just pick one behavioural aspect that boggles many of us. And let me pick the city of New York and its cousin across the Hudson, Newport City, for this exercise. And let me pick the Indian out there.

Wherever I go, I see Indians. I feel good. New York, and more so Newport, has a huge complement of the Indian. New York has the older generations of Indians who came to the US and set up their lives, apart from their business and professional practices. And their children and grandchildren who continued to live the big-city life. Newport, on the contrary, has the temporary migrant, out here to make a living in the realms of new enterprises. While one depends on the physical workplace and its joys, the other thrives in a personal ecosystem of comfort and work, which involves a hectic day at home working and a hectic evening out of home partying.

Let's leave them for now and see just one behavioural trait that distinguishes the new Indian in America. This is a person you and I don't really know. If I pick up a coffee from a Starbucks, at the end of the delightful set of swigs, I make sure the cup is dunked carefully into bins that segregate bio, paper and metal waste. And the best part is that I don't have to go too far to find a waste disposal bin in New York or Newport for that matter. I don't spit on the road and neither do I urinate against a wall anywhere around. I am different out here and I behave differently. The moment I get back home to Madurai, I will do just what I want and where I want. But when I am in the US, I will take out a different version of who I really am. This is something that has bewildered us all the while, hasn't it? Harish Jekyll in the US and Harish Hyde in India.

Why do we behave differently in different environments? And why can't we be the same wherever we are, at least in terms of managing our civic duties and civic lives? Why do we forget good habits the moment we cross political boundaries of country differentiations?

As we fight over what to include and what to exclude from our kids' textbooks in primary school, Japan seems to be doing it differently. This very old nation of 126 million people is focusing on what to teach the kid in school as well. In Japan, kids are encouraged to go to school on their own. There is no parent or nanny taking a kid to school to be dropped at the gates. Kids are encouraged to be responsible in their daily walk to school. You will see kids actually picking up paper and plastic waste (if they are rarely and accidentally found on their streets) en route. The kids cross the road at zebra crossings only, and responsibly. These very kids will bow deferentially with respect to motorists who have stopped to allow them to cross. And motorists do stop for both kids and ducks crossing. Respect is the norm. A norm taught to kids very early in life. A norm that becomes a part of the child's DNA at large.

The schools they go to have no janitors at all. The kids do the cleaning and the clean-up after class is done. The child turns into a responsible individual at age six, and literally all of society spends their energies to develop responsible citizens of the future. Adults teach kids. And each of these adults is very responsible. Responsible enough to ensure that no kid learns anything negative from them. Being polite, avoiding cutting into queues and cleaning up is all part of this upbringing. Many of us still remember the sight of fans cleaning up the stadium after a World Cup match. That's being Japanese today. Being civil. Being civic. And importantly, being civilised, I guess.

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The key insight behind Japanese society is the idea and truth that no one is born impolite. No one is born rude. No one is born irresponsible. Society and our very upbringing seem to make us impolite, rude and irresponsible. Education therefore assumes a larger role in creating the new society of the future. Every child and its education is seen to be an investment into the future. A simple insight has helped build Japanese society into what it is today: selfless, inclusive and responsible.

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If only all of us were to pay the right kind of attention to what our children must really learn in our schools, I do believe we will get it right as well. Every school of ours, public and private, needs to imbue into its curriculum, real civic sense. It is not enough to learn Modern Civics in a textbook. And let alone our schools, it is important for all of us in modern society to sit up and get guilty every time we perform an act that goes against the law, the rules of civilised living, and indeed rules that propitiate the rude, the selfish and the self-serving.

In many ways, this looks like a completely difficult task to achieve. When many of us are still fighting for the basics of food, clothing and shelter, isn't it a bit utopian (or Japanese for that matter) to expect the building blocks of modern civilised society to fall into place in India? Or is it? Must we not fight for a universal truth? Love is one such truth that holds true across every nation of the world. Peace and its quest equally are. As is the universal search for happiness. A polite society, a respectful society and indeed a society that believes that we create the future is one that we need to aim to build.

And yes, many of us have given up on this. The domino effect of hunger, poverty and illness seems to destroy its quest. And yet one country has got it right. Japan has. If Japan can, can't we? Or is it beyond our reach? The answer seems to be blowing in the wind of every adult's act that seems to teach our kids that doing it wrong is the right way to live in a society that is tough to live in. Compete and win. Win by all means. Win by any means as well.

I think we need to turn Darwinism upside down if we have to get our future societies right. It is really not survival of the fittest that must define the future world. It sure must be survival of the happiest. And indeed the politest of the happiest.

If our country is to be truly great, we need to get our children to be truly great. And that happens in our schools, our homes, our streets, and most certainly in the kind of representative lives we lead. Let's try then! Or have we given up already?

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WHY INDIA IS A LEADER AMONG DIGITAL DEMOCRACIES

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For long, international affairs have had groupings of democracies, a democracy being a fundamental pillar of the world order after the Second World War and the end of colonialism.

This essay argues that there is an additional grouping emerging now—digital democracies—and India is a natural leader of this group. As is evident from the name, it is the practice of democracy, both at the level of the nation state and the citizen, using digital tools.

Digital democracy is, in a sense, the next phase of democracy as it encompasses all the opportunities and challenges of asserting sovereignty for nation states. It is important to understand that countries must now cooperate not only in politics, trade and humanitarian issues, but a vital aspect of cooperation is transborder technological cooperation to assert sovereignty, including to multinational tech giants.

The most important task in such an era is the construction of technological architecture as a public good—which is owned not by any one private entity. In building and deploying such architecture at scale (for more than a billion people), India has shown unique innovation skills and achieved unprecedented success.

According to recent independent research reports, digital transactions in India could rise to $10 trillion in value by 2026. Two out of five transactions in India are estimated to be using digital tools, and it is set to rise exponentially in the next few years.

Whether in financial technology or identity architecture, India is today building bigger and better digital public infrastructure at scale than any other democracy in the world.

It, therefore, is the natural leader of the world of digital or digitising democracies. India is not only building such technologies and infrastructure at home, but is also pitching to deploy it around the world. The India pitch is mass-use digital technology that can be utilised as public infrastructure by countries to digitise their governance processes and public goods delivery mechanisms.

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The use of digital technology among democracies is one of the most important platforms for public diplomacy today and this will become more necessary in the near future.

A country with the size and complexity of India can showcase not only how technology can be used but also how to effectively curb its adverse impact and misuse. Therefore, this is one area where India is a natural leader. It can bring to the table the full weight of its enormous expertise in running programmes like Aadhaar, direct-benefit transfer, and ongoing efforts to improve digital health and education. Apart from this, India has innovations like the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) (which powers fintech and has created a unique level playing field) and is working towards creating a unified digital platform for commerce.

This leadership role for India, already apparent, is set to expand considerably in the years to come as democracies that extensively use digital tools come together to boost ease of living for their citizens and tackle crises that require worldwide collaboration.

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Plight of Pandits

In Kashmir, terrorists are restoring to targeted killing. A few of the Kashmiri Pandits who fled in the 1990s returned after the Centre promised to protect them. But the government has failed and the Pandits are suffering. After the reading down of Article 370, Pakistan-aided terrorists are making the situation worse. The Central government has to go forward with a peace mission and discuss this with the Congress and the Gupkar Alliance. A sovereign, democratic country cannot tolerate the state of the Kashmiri Pandits living in exile in their own nation.

B Veerakumaran Thampi, Thiruvananthapuram

Farmers need olive branch

Uneven rainfall patterns have caused floods and droughts, destroying crops and disturbing the farm economy. Unfortunately, India's agriculture is dependent mainly on the monsoons—sometimes, farmers harvest bumper crops and still get the short end of the stick; the Centre needs to help them by expanding the provisions of the crop insurance scheme. And then there are the market regulators and middlemen who look only for self-benefit and profits. The government wants to double farm income but does not promote more innovation and value additions. If Coca Cola can rule the market, why can't healthy tender coconut with value additions succeed?

Hosur Rathnakara Shetty, Udupi

Tagore, Kalam are back

It gives a sense of pride to know that the RBI and the Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Ltd. (SPMCIL) may affix photos of Rabindranath Tagore and Abdul Kalam on Indian currency notes. Tagore and Kalam contributed immensely to the fields of literature and science respectively; they were altruistic nationalists to the very core. This will evoke happiness in not just Bengalis and Tamilians, but all Indians. Hopefully, the new currencies will be released at the earliest.

Venkat Desikan, Chennai

Exchequer weighed down

This is with reference to the article *Fresh and frozen decide Rajya Sabha choices* (June 5).The Rajya Sabha is posing a humongous burden to the national exchequer as it has to cough up nearly ₹10 lakh per month for every member. A developing country like India should do away with all Upper Houses as they are filled with unelectable leaders and status-symbol seekers. The money saved from scrapping the Upper House can be utilised to help the poor instead.

CG Kuriakose, Kothamangalam

Pay for safety

India is perhaps one of the few countries that is spending thousands of crores to provide security to VIPs and VVIPs. The Central and state governments are not obliged to give them free security. If these individuals' lives are in so much danger and they require that much protection, maybe they should start paying for it. This money can then be used for some productive purpose.

S Ravindranath, Bengaluru

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Mehbooba Mufti @MehboobaMufti
Ironical that we the mainstream parties in Kashmir weren't allowed to hold protests against minority killings

Priyanka Chaturvedi @priyankac19
Advertising Standards Council of India not noticing a problematic ad shows how numb we are as a society to respect women's sentiments

Saket Gokhale @SaketGokhale
Quite telling of our system that Arab world & the US reacted to a BJP leader's communal comments while Indian courts kept mum

Safety blocks to ambitious Kaladan project

Security issues in Myanmar delay project aiming to boost India's access to southeast Asia, goods transport in NE

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

ONE of India's most ambitious infrastructure projects — the Kaladan Multi Modal Transit Transport (KMMTT) project that would link India and Myanmar via the Bay of Bengal — has been hanging in limbo due to challenges in the completion of a 109 km road.

The $484 million project is being constructed by India under a grant-in-aid scheme. Once completed, it will link Kolkata with Sittwe seaport in Rakhine state in Myanmar, through a stretch primarily over the Bay of Bengal, covering over 500 km. However, there is a portion of land where a 109 km road needs to be constructed, between Paletwa (Myanmar) and Zorinpui (Mizoram's border), but despite various efforts there has been no breakthrough.

The Indian government recently appointed IRCON as implementing and executing agency.

"The area where the road needs to be constructed is a bit challenging as it often sees conflict between the military junta and the ethnic groups. This stretch is in Chin state, parallel to Kalandan river. Post February 2021, after the military coup, the challenges intensified in terms of safety and security. Though bids have been invited again for construction of this road, one doesn't know whether anyone would come ahead and accept the bid due to security reasons," said an expert on Indo-Myanmar relations. The Kaladan river flows from Myanmar to Mizoram.

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> Expert on Indo-Myanmar relations

The project, proposed by the Ministry of External Affairs, got approved in 2008 and work began in 2010, with an initial deadline of 2014. Since then, it has seen a six-fold cost escalation, from ₹535 crore to ₹3,200 crore.

Once ready, KMTT would ease India's access to Southeast Asia via Myanmar. It would also reduce the time and distance of transportation of goods within the Northeastern states.

"This project has seen construction of roads, bridges, and floating barrages. However, post February 2021, challenges intensified in Chin state, which is close to where the road construction is to begin. It has not been declared a safe zone by the government, so there is no security cover," says the expert.

Now there is apprehension over whether the 2023 deadline for the completion of the KMTT project would be met. There are eight ethnic races and over 130 ethnic groups in Myanmar. Their demands include seeking more representation in the parliament, recognition of their language, and involvement in resource management.

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PROJECT COST

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109 km road between Paletwa (Myanmar) and Zorinpui (Mizoram's border)

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RAJYA SABHA POLLS

BATTLE OF RELATIVES AND FRIENDS IN HARYANA

In the current round of Rajya Sabha election for 57 seats, polling for which is scheduled on June 10, the most interesting contest is the one in Haryana between Congress leader Ajay Maken and media baron Kartikeya Sharma. These two candidates are distant relatives. Ajay Maken's uncle Lalit Maken was the son-in-law of former President of India Shanka Dayal Sharma. Kartikeya's uncle was married to a daughter of Shankar Dayal Sharma. Maken and Kartikeya frequently get together at family functions but are pitted against each other. Kartikeya is the son of Vinod Sharma, who was a minister in Bhupinder Singh Hooda's government in Haryana, and was considered Hooda's closest friend. Hooda had brought this hotelier friend from Chandigarh and given him a Congress ticket from Ambala, and then made him a minister. The two friends have fallen out and are now facing each other indirectly in elections, with Hooda backing the Congress candidate and Vinod his son. The election for this seat may get tighter than most think. To win this Rajya Sabha seat, a candidate requires 31 votes. Congress has exactly 31 MLAs in the state Assembly. The BJP has 40. After electing its candidate with 31 votes, the BJP will have nine surplus votes. The party has committed these votes to Kartikeya. BJP's partner in the state government, Jannayak Janata Party (JJP) of deputy chief minister Dushyant Chautala has 10 MLAs. The JJP has been the prime sponsor of Kartikeya. Then there is one vote each of Abhay Chautala and Gopal Kanda. These two votes are also likely to go to Kartikeya. This takes Kartikeya's total support to 21. The fight is for the seven independents. The state government, BJP and Vinod Sharma are together trying to win over these seven independents, besides some Congress MLAs with an offer of ticket in the upcoming state elections. Hooda too is in touch with the independents. Congress MLA Kuldeep Bishnoi, who has been upset with party leadership, is also giving Maken and Hooda the jitters.

Delay in Shivir's big idea taking shape over RS polls, Rahul's trip

RICHA SHARMA @ New Delhi

FORMING a 'Task Force 2024' was one of the biggest announcements the Congress had made during its Chintan Shivir in Rajasthan last month.

Despite the panel holding its first meeting on May 24, there continues to be confusion over the role and mandate of the new group of leaders. They had been waiting for the return of former party chief Rahul Gandhi from abroad to get some clarity on the matter and the way forward.

'Task Force 2024' consists of P Chidambaram, Jairam Ramesh, Mukul Wasnik, K C Venugopal, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Ajay Maken, Randeep Surjewala and Sunil Kanugolu – and is tasked to look into the party's preparedness in the run-up to 2024 Lok Sabha elections.

The party's official statement said that the group will meet "every 72 hours or more" and prepare a detailed plan on each of the subjects: Organisation, finances, media communication, and strategy, grassroots connect, election management, and others.

Sources said that the first meeting on May 24 was called at very short notice after a message was sent from general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra's office. "The group hasn't met since then. During an informal discussion, it was felt that role and mandate need to be further discussed with Rahul ji, who went abroad after the Udaipur meet. Now, that he (Rahul) has returned (on Saturday), the group will meet him and Sonia *ji* to get clarity on matters," said a party source.

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> Source

Another leader cited the Rajya Sabha elections as the reason for the delay in the meeting of the group. Among 8 members, 5 are in the fray for Upper House.

During the meeting, members opined that the group also needs to focus on upcoming Assembly elections till 2024, keeping in mind that two-Congress ruled states — Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh — will witness polling next year. Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh also need urgent attention. Infighting has been rife at these state units of the party.

Gehlot flies 6 disgruntled party legislators to Udaipur

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

THE Rajya Sabha election in Rajasthan is getting murkier as the polling date is drawing near. Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot along with six Congress MLAs who had expressed resentment over some issues reached Udaipur, where the party legislators are putting up at a hotel ahead of the Rajya Sabha polls amid fears of horse-trading.

The ruling Congress in the state also submitted a complaint to the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Sunday, alleging poaching attempts by the Opposition BJP.

The six MLAs met CM Gehlot late on Saturday night and the chief minister was finally able to convince the angry MLAs who were being called 'the G6 Group'. After this, CM Gehlot took these MLAs to Udaipur by a special plane on Sunday. These MLAs include Minister of State for Sainik Welfare Rajendra Gudha, Ramkhiladi Berwa, Girraj Singh Malinga, Wajid Ali, Sandeep Yadav and Lakhan Singh Meena.

The elections to four seats of the Rajya Sabha from the state are scheduled for June 10. While the Congress is set to win two of the seats, it requires the support of Independent MLAs and the legislators from other parties to win a third seat. Congress chief whip Mahesh Joshi lodged a formal complaint alleging that efforts were underway to tempt MLAs of the Congress camp after some MLAs provided inputs that telephonic calls were made to them to vote for BJP-backed candidate Subhash Chandra.

CM Gehlot took the six MLAs to Udaipur by a special plane on Sunday | EXPRESS

Mahesh Joshi, the Congress Chief Whip in the Assembly, has demanded a thorough probe by the ACB to ensure that corrupt deals are not struck to tempt MLAs.

Enticing and taking/giving money in a corrupt manner comes under the category of crime and Joshi has asked the ACB to start a legal investigation to eliminate the possibility of horse-trading.

Joshi said that apprehensions are being expressed from social media and other sources that in the Rajya Sabha elections, a big game of money power is being played. Joshi claimed that the BJP is playing the dirty game of horse-trading in Rajasthan through media baron Subhash Chandra.

GOP appoints observers to curb foul play

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

WITH tough contest on the cards in the Rajya Sabha elections in some states, especially in Rajasthan and Haryana, the Congress has appointed senior party leaders Mallikarjun Kharge and Bhupesh Baghel as observers to prevent any setback.

Kharge has been made the observer for Maharashtra while Chhattisgarh CM Baghel and party general secretary Rajeev Shukla have been made observers for Haryana. Party treasurer Pawan Kumar Bansal and Chhattisgarh cabinet minister T S Singh Deo will monitor Rajasthan.

For the four Rajya Sabha seats in Rajasthan, the Congress has fielded three candidates — Randeep Surjewala, Mukul Wasnik, and Pramod Tiwari. It can win two seats and there is a contest for the third as BJP is supporting media baron Subhash Chandra. Party general secretary Ajay Maken is the Congress candidate from Haryana, where two seats have fallen vacant. The BJP is set to win one seat but there is a contest on the second.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

KOVIND, VENKAIAH UNLIKELY TO GET ANOTHER TERM

The election to choose the next President of India is due next month. Along with the President, a new Vice-President will also be chosen. The BJP, along with its allies, has a comfortable majority in the presidential electoral college comprising MPs of both Houses of Parliament and MLAs of all state assemblies. The BJP-led NDA also commands the required majority in two houses of Parliament to elect the next Vice-President. New Delhi's political circles are buzzing with discussions on the possible choices for the next occupant of the Rashtrapati Bhawan. There appears near unanimity in BJP and the larger Sangh circles that President Ramnath Kovind and Vice-President Venkaiah Naidu may not get another term. No President, with the sole exception of first President Rajendra Prasad, has got a second term in office. Many names are mentioned, but a caveat is always added that nobody knows the mind of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who alone will finalise candidates for the two top constitutional offices of the Indian republic. The Prime Minister has pulled out a surprise every time a top appointment was made, and proved all speculations and guesses wrong. It appears safer to find out 'who not', rather than venturing into guessing 'who next' in the current dispensation. While the BJP appears on solid ground in the presidential elections, there's also a move to field an opposition candidate with the support of NDA ally and Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar. Though Kumar has not given any indication of supporting a non-NDA candidate, leaders such as Mamata Bannerjee and K Chandrashekhar Rao are reportedly trying to engage him through back-channels and offering to support his choice of candidate. Nitish has been upset with the BJP for some time and has been moving closer to Lalu Yadav's RJD. But the numbers in the electoral college are such that Nitish's desertion may rock the NDA boat, but would not be able to sink it.

SMOOTH IMPORT

Food laboratory at Nepal border to boost trade ties

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Central government has set up a National Food Laboratory under the Indo-Nepal bilateral agreement, which will make it easier and quicker to test food products being brought into the country from Nepal.

Earlier, all imported samples with legal sanctity were sent to National Food Laboratory in Kolkata for testing.

The new National Food Laboratory, under the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, was inaugurated by Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya in Bihar's Raxaul on Sunday, near the Indo-Nepal border.

Officials said the laboratory had been established under Indo-Nepal bilateral agreement to reduce the time to test imported food samples brought in via Raxaul from Nepal.

Now, businesses in Nepal would find it easier to scale up export of food products into India, the minister said.

The laboratory is likely to get the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) accreditation by July-August this year. They will test and analyse all the imported samples under the product categories of cereal and cereal products, fat and oil, spices and condiments, fruits and vegetable products and packaged drinking. The minister also said that India is willing to provide any assistance needed to get NABL accreditation to the Kathmandu food lab.

> **The laboratory has been established under Indo-Nepal bilateral agreement to reduce the time to test imported food samples brought in via Raxaul from Nepal** —Official

Organise blood group testing camps at primary health centres, states told

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TO promote blood donation and create awareness, the Centre has advised the states to facilitate blood testing at primary health centres, community health centres and district hospitals on World Blood Donor Day on June 14.

All Central government ministries, hospitals/institutions and government and private medical colleges have also been advised to organise similar activities on June 14.

The Union Health Ministry has advised all the states and Union Territories to take up various activities to promote blood donation and create awareness as it will be helpful during emergencies.

Union Health Secretary Rajesh Bhushan, in a letter to the states and Union Territories, said, "To ensure that everyone who needs transfusion has access to safe blood, the country needs voluntary, unpaid blood donors who donate blood regularly."

"An effective blood donor programme requires the wide and active participation of the population," he added.

> **To promote the registration of blood donors and create awareness, facilities for blood group testing may be made available on June 14 at all PHCS/CHCs/Sub-district and District hospitals** — Health ministry

"To promote the registration of blood donors and create awareness, facilities for blood group testing may be made available on 14th June 2022 at all PHCS/CHCs/Sub-district and District hospitals and other blood banks as per feasibility. This will help the common citizens to know their blood group, which will be useful in emergencies for blood donation," the letter said.

The ministry has also suggested an action plan for the states and UTs to be implemented to maximise registration of willing blood donors along with optimal blood collection and spread awareness among rural masses through felicitation of blood donors.

A pledge in English or Hindi or regional language for blood donation will be administered at all levels. The ministry has asked states to get the template of the pledge translated into regional languages for wider dissemination.

INDIA & ISRAEL TAKE DEFENCE TIES TO NEXT LEVEL

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

IN a push to India's efforts to acquire cutting-edge technology in the defence sector, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and his Israeli counterpart Benjamin Gantz on Saturday exchanged a Letter of Intent, making R&D the key focus. This is the second most important step after France agreed to manufacture a military aircraft engine in India.

The Ministry of Defence said the two sides discussed ways to increase cooperation in all domains with focus on research and development in future technologies as well as defence co-production.

"With the intention to further strengthen the existing framework of the Indo-Israeli defence cooperation architecture, both sides adopted the India-Israel Vision on Defence Cooperation. A Letter of Intent on enhancing cooperation in the field of futuristic defence technologies was also exchanged between the two Ministers," MoD said.

In December, Rajnath Singh had announced that the French had agreed to the indigenous manufacturing of an engine, which is not being made in India, in collaboration with an Indian company under a strategic partnership.

The Indo-French strategic partnership involves co-production aimed at creating a defence-industrial ecosystem.

Engine manufacturing involves complex metallurgy and is acknowledged as the weakest link in India's 'Make in India' drive. For instance, India's Kaveri engine programme has been hitting roadblocks.

Even in the case of submarines, India has been facing problems. India's indigenous nuclear submarine has been designed with major support from Russia. Similarly, the Naval Group of France helped Project 75 India, under which six conventional submarines have been manufactured in Mumbai.

"Firstly, nobody gives you the high-end tech as they have invested billions in it. Even if they get ready to part with it, it's not going to come cheap and that too when they know that India needs it," says Defence Analyst Commodore Anil Jai Singh (rtd).

EDIBLE 'KATORI'
The Indian Institute of Soybean Research (IISR) in Indore has developed a "protein-rich katori" or bowl which can protect the environment and also check malnutrition, scientists said

5 MILITANTS OF BANNED PREPAK-RA HELD IN ARUNACHAL

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Ahmedabad	43	30	Mumbai	32	29
Bhopal	42	29	Panaji	31	27
Jaipur	41	31	Patna	40	29
Amritsar	42	27	Lucknow	42	29
Chennai	37	27	Port Blair	31	27
Kolkata	35	30	Imphal	29	21
Srinagar	32	13	Chandigarh	49	31

Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal addresses people during Jan Aakrosh Rally at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi on Sunday | PARVEEN NEGI

Kejriwal demands Centre 'action plan' for Pandits

Aam Aadmi Party holds protest in Delhi over killings in the Valley

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

ATTACKING the central government over targeted killings of Hindus in Jammu and Kashmir, Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal Sunday joined a protest in the national capital and said that BJP is incompetent in handling Kashmir issues and Kashmiri Pandits were forced to leave the Valley due to the attacks.

Addressing the Aam Aadmi Party's 'Jan Aakrosh Rally' at Jantar Mantar, he demanded that the Centre put forth an action plan to stop such incidents. The rally in support of Kashmiri Pandits is seen as part of the party's wider national expansion plan.

None of the other Opposition parties, including Congress, which is banking upon re-establishing ground connections with the people as part of its revival plan, has planned any campaign on the matter. The leadership has so far limited itself to issuing statements on social media.

"The Central Government must present an action plan on how it plans to stop the massacre of Kashmiri Pandits; the world is watching today and the government looks clueless," said Kejriwal

Calling the exodus a repeat of what happened in the 1990s, he said, "The BJP can't handle Kashmir, they only know how to do dirty politics. Please don't do politics over Kashmir." He also put four demands before the Union government — The Centre should tell the public about its plan to tackle the situation in Kashmir, cancel the bond signed with Kashmiri Pandits that says they cannot work outside Kashmir, fulfil all their demands and provide them security.

The Valley has seen eight targeted killings by terror groups of non-Muslims, including security personnel, an artist and local civilians. A number of Kashmiri Pandits, who were employed under a prime minister's package in 2012, have been staging protests threatening mass exodus since the killing of Rahul Bhat, who was shot dead by terrorists on May 12 in the Chadoora area of Budgam district in central Kashmir.

KOLKATA TIES

Shah Rukh tests Covid positive, Mamata tweet confirms news

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

BOLLYWOD superstar Shah Rukh Khan is down with Covid-19. The news that trended on Sunday was confirmed by West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in a tweet. Khan, 56, is a brand ambassador of West Bengal and also the co-owner of Kolkata franchise of IPL cricket tournament.

Banerjee wrote on Twitter, "Just came to know that our Brand Ambassador Shahrukh Khan has been detected Covid positive. Pray fastest recovery for the superstar. Get well Shahrukh! Spring back asap! (sic)."

The office of Khan is yet to confirm the report of him getting infected with the coronavirus. Only a day before, on Saturday, Khan shared the first look poster of his upcoming project *Jawan* which is being helmed by Atlee.

Fans of Shah Rukh Khan also expressed concerns over the actor's health on social media. They wished him quick recovery. "Speedy recovery for your health For Covid-19 positive. Pray to Allah," wrote one Twitter user.

Recently several Bollywood actors have tested Covid positive. Katrina Kaif is said to have skipped IIFA 2022 ceremony because she has contracted the virus. Kartik Aryan has also missed his debut live performance at the event in Abu Dhabi as he confirmed on Instagram that he was down with Covid-19.

Now, Himanta digs up old tweet to question Kejriwal over PPE kits

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Guwahati

ASSAM Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Sunday dug up an old tweet of Arvind Kejriwal, pointing out how the Delhi CM had offered to buy PPE kits from anywhere without floating a tender. He further asked if Delhi Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia would think that Kejriwal as corrupt as he had suo moto offered to buy the PPE kits.

In his tweet posted on April 6, 2020, Kejriwal had addressed BJP MP and cricketer-turned-politician Gautam Gambhir, saying, "Gautam ji, thank u for ur offer. The problem is not of money but availability of PPE kits. We wud be grateful if u cud help us get them from somewhere immediately, Del govt will buy them. Thank u."

Sharing it on the microblogging site, Sarma wrote, "AAP (Aam Aadmi Party) leaders chose to contradict each other rather than fighting a crisis. People of Delhi are paying the price for this."

The issue has turned into a high-pitched battle after Sisodia targeted the BJP on Saturday, claiming that Sarma had given contracts to companies of his wife and son's business partners to supply PPE kits above market rates when the pandemic began in 2020.

Sisodia had earlier said, "It is a major scam by the Assam CM and his associates. It is a solid corruption case and the ED is after (Satyendar) Jain who is working hard to provide quality healthcare to people of Delhi." The Delhi health minister was arrested on May 30 in a money laundering case.

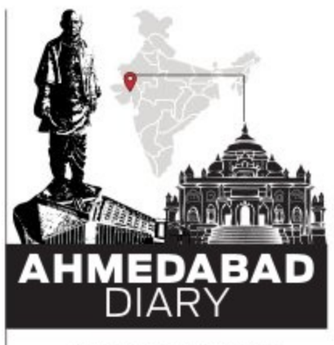
The Assam CM stated that the company in question wrote to the National Health Mission (NHM), Assam, stating that the supply of around 1,500 PPE kits for Covid warriors must be treated as CSR contribution and hence, not a single rupee must be paid by the government. He said the NHM had duly acknowledged it. He shared some documents in support of his claim.

"Manish bhai, this is not corruption; it's humanity. My wife hasn't committed a crime. She tried to help Assam at the time of its biggest crisis," Sarma said.

Stating that throwing muck at others will not be accepted, he reiterated Sisodia would face legal consequences.

AAP (Aam Aadmi Party) leaders chose to contradict each other rather than fighting a crisis. People of Delhi are paying the price for this

Himanta Biswa Sarma, Assam CM



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Poll: BJP deputes 182 netas for 'Mission 150'

The BJP has been in election mode for over six months in Gujarat. Neverthtless, the state brass feels the need to muster grassroots workers, well-wishers, and old party workers to achieve the set target of winning over 150 seats. To achieve this the party has decided to depute 182 leaders to constituencies to reach out to the grassroots workers. These leaders include all the sitting and former MPs and MLAs. Leaders will have to tour one constituency for three days. According to the party, when leaders from the state visit workers it encourages them. When workers are assured that the leader is unbiased, they share views and opinions honestly.

Black ink hurled at Hardik Patel poster

Hardik Patel has recently joined the saffron camp, after which welcome banners and posters have been put up all over the state. Opposition to Hardik Patel's BJP entry has been seen in Unava of Mehsana district. In an isolated incident, black ink was hurled at Hardik Patel's poster here by local Patidar youth. Patidar youth leader Dhanji Patidar led the group of men who were behind the act. Hardik Patel, on his joining the BJP, had hinted at the presence of anti-social elements within the community which had caused damage during the Patidar agitation. This statement has attracted resentment within the Patidar community.

SDPI seeks to make inroads in Madhya Pradesh with local body polls

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bhopal

AFTER making its presence felt in the local body polls in Kerala and Karnataka over the last two years, the Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI) is all set to test the waters in Madhya Pradesh.

The SDPI, considered the political wing of the extremist group, the Popular Front of India (PFI), is planning to contest the upcoming local body elections in MP.

While the party's state unit is planning to field and back candidates in both rural and urban local bodies, the focus is likely to be on the urban bodies, particularly in the Muslim-dominated districts.

"Our meeting is scheduled in the next few days and by June 7-8, we'll declare the final list of our candidates for the local body polls, particularly the urban local body polls," state SDPI president Irfan-ul-Haq Ansari told this newspaper.

The party had contested in a few municipal wards in Jabalpur and Indore just after it was founded in 2009. But now it plans to be a serious player in the urban local body polls, which are scheduled to be held on July 6 and 13.

"We already have our cadres in 10-12 districts, including Bhopal, Jabalpur, Indore, Shajapur, and some other districts in the Malwa-Nimar region," Ansari added.

The party will also be a serious contender for post of mayors in four out of the 16 municipal corporations—Bhopal, Jabalpur, Indore and Ujjain.

"For the last 3-4 times, the BJP candidates have been elected as mayors in these cities. Why should we then waste our vote for the Congress? It's time our people have their own serious contestants," Ansari said.

Besides Muslim candidates, the party will also field persons from the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes communities in the upcoming polls.

While the Hyderabad MP Asaduddin Owaisi-led AIMIM is yet to finalise its plans to contest in the local body polls, the SDPI is open to having a tie-up with them.

"The AIMIM only makes noise, but doesn't seem to have a strong presence on the ground in MP. We're open to fighting the polls in understanding with them," Ansari said.

The SDPI has gained prominence in the state after the anti-CAA/NRC protests. Ansari was among those who were arrested by the police in connection with the violence in Jabalpur in December 2019.

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BJP REACHES OUT TO TRIBALS
There are eight Cabinet ministers in the Narendra Modi government who are tribals, other than 36 MPs in Lok Sabha and eight in Rajya Sabha. We also have 190 tribal MLAs, two governors and two deputy CMs, JP Nadda said

BJP national president JP Nadda during a rally in Ranchi on Sunday | PTI

Nadda lauds tribals, attacks Hemant Soren govt in Ranchi

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

BJP national president JP Nadda on Sunday lambasted political parties over their indifference towards the tribal community. He also attacked the JMM government, saying that corruption and Hemant Soren have become synonymous. Nadda was addressing the Dharti Aba Birsa Munda Vishwas rally in Ranchi.

Nadda also met the tribal leaders, and talked to them about making the party stronger in the tribal-dominated areas. Out of the 28 seats reserved for tribals in Jharkhand, BJP could win only two during the 2019 Assembly elections.

"It is only BJP that can say it has worked for adivasis. But the political parties running in the name of adivasis can only say how they looted and betrayed them," Nadda said.

Lauding the tribal communities, and their contribution to the Independence struggle, he said, "Tribals speak very little, but they have always been working for the betterment of the society." He added that ever since Jharkhand was created, the BJP has never forgotten "its adivasi brothers".

The BJP president also alleged that the Soren government reaps the benefits of work done by BJP. "We work for seva, while Hemant government eats the mewa. The Maoists, who had left Jharkhand during the time of Raghubar Das, have also started spreading their tentacles again," he added, announcing that BJP will organise Bhagwan Birsa Munda Gaurav Diwas for the first time on Nov. 15.

ISRO's space nodal centre opening June 10

PM Narendra Modi will inaugurate the headquarters of the Indian National Space Enhancement and Authority Center (IN-SPACe) on June 10 at Bopal in Ahmedabad. The Union Cabinet had approved the establishment of in-space in June 2020. In-space will be a nodal agency, which will facilitate private entities to use space establishments in addition to conducting space-related activities, thereby ensuring greater private sector participation in space. The ISRO announced the inauguration on Twitter. "Excited to work with related industries and ISRO to promote space missions," said IN-SPACe president Pawan Goenka.

Hapur factory blast: Unit owner, operator arrested

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Lucknow

THE owner and the operator of the factory in Hapur where an explosion on Saturday claimed 13 lives were arrested on Sunday, the police said.

Wasim, the operator of the unit, was absconding since the explosion. He himself had sustained burn injuries on his hands and there were stitches on his head as well, a police official said, adding that he received first-aid after the incident and fled.

"He was arrested on Sunday from the Hapur-Meerut bypass," Superintendent of Police Deepak Bhuker said. "We are providing medical treatment to him," he said.

"Police have also arrested Dilshad, the owner of the factory," the SP said. An FIR has been registered against both of them.

The explosion took place on Saturday at Ruhi Industries in the Dhaulana area.

"So far, 13 people have been killed, while 20 are injured. The injured are undergoing treatment in hospitals in Delhi, Noida, Ghaziabad and Meerut," Bhuker said. He added that 11 out of the 13 deceased have been identified, and they are from Shahjahanpur (Uttar Pradesh) and Bihar. Soon after news of the explosion got out, Shahjahanpur district's Bhanderi village, located 280 km from Hapur, drowned in grief.

Superintendent of Police of Shahjahanpur S Anand said they have information that 10 of the deceased were from the village. The deceased have been identified as Sarvesh, Anil, Bhure, Ramu, Anoop, Prempal, Irfan, Chaviram, Noor Hasan and Raghvendra. *With agency inputs*

BIHAR

Tejashwi, NDA trade charges over 'report card'

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav on Sunday sought to punch holes in Bihar CM Nitish Kumar's secular claims by alleging that the RSS was pulling the strings of his government.

"If we had joined hands with BJP, our government could have been formed," Tejashwi, RJD chief Lalu Prasad Yadav's younger son, said while releasing a 'report card' on the NDA government since it returned to power in 2020. "But we did not bow before communal forces," he said in presence of RJD and Left leaders.

Congress remained absent from the event as it does not consider itself a part of the grand alliance ever since it had differences with RJD on seat-sharing for the by-polls last year.

In a veiled attack on Congress, Tejashwi, who is also the leader of Opposition in Assembly, said that the alliance should not be weaved only for winning elections, but to purge the society of hatred being spread by BJP and RSS.

Meanwhile, BJP MP and former Bihar deputy CM Sushil Kumar Modi alleged that kidnapping for ransom had become an industry in the Lalu-Rabri regime. He also challenged RJD to release comparative report cards of 15-year rules of the former RJD government and NDA government.

Reacting to RJD, Nitish said, "What was the situation here earlier, and what is it now? We keep ourselves busy with work and not in publicising it."

TMC protests against Centre over withholding funds, BJP cites corruption

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

THE Trinamool Congress on Sunday launched a two-day protest across West Bengal to sharpen attack on the BJP-led Centre over the issue of withholding Rs 6,500 crore, which has held up wages for workers under MGNREGA, the employment's 100-day job scheme.

The protest announced by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is politically significant as Bengal will go to panchayat polls next year, which is believed to be a litmus test for the BJP to gauge its strength in the lower tier of electoral exercise. The TMC, too, wants to retain its strength in the civic bodies in rural Bengal which the party had ensured in 2018.

The ruling party had won 34 per cent of seats uncontested in three-tier panchayat polls, which had prompted the Supreme Court to describe the huge number of seats where the TMC had no challenger as "shocking". As per the data released by the state election commission, 20,076 of the 58,692 seats had gone uncontested.

The TMC has timed its protest to counter the fortnight-long celebrations planned by the BJP to commemorate eight years of the Narendra Modi government.

"In the next year's panchayat polls, the central government's decision of holding up the wages for daily wage earners for over six months will be used as a key tool against the BJP, which has emerged as our only rival in Bengal politics. It is because a considerable chunk of the electorate belongs to the deprived class," said a TMC leader.

The ruling party aims to hold protests aggressively in those pockets of the state where the saffron camp performed well in the previous rural polls.

"Purulia district is one of the pockets where the BJP won over 50 gram panchayats in 2018. Protests are being taken out in all blocks on Monday as well. We have asked block leaders to bring at least 20 people who survive on the job scheme from each village," said the leader.

Taking a jibe at the protest, BJP's national vice president Dilip Ghosh said the Centre has held up the funds because it found large-scale corruption under the MGNREGA scheme. "The state government has been asked to clarify anomalies and the reply is yet to be given. A large part of the central fund was siphoned off illegally and panchayat functionaries increased their personal wealth," Ghosh alleged.

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • SW: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	30	15	LC	Los Angeles	25	16	LC
Colombo	29	26	TDS	Melbourne	11	6	LR
Dhaka	33	28	TDS	Moscow	21	10	SNY
Dubai	41	30	SNY	New York	27	17	SNY
Houston	34	26	LC	Singapore	31	26	TDS
Istanbul	26	18	LR	Toronto	19	17	LC
London	18	10	LR	Washington	29	16	SNY

49 KILLED, 300 INJURED IN BANGLADESH PORT DEPOT FIRE

●At least seven firefighters die, four missing ●Containers holding chemicals explode in blaze ●About 110 million dollars worth of garments destroyed

SITAKUNDA

AT least 49 people died and hundreds were injured after a fire sparked a huge chemical explosion at a shipping container depot in Bangladesh, officials said on Sunday.

The toll was expected to rise, with some of the more than 300 people injured in serious condition, officials said, while volunteers reported that there were more bodies inside the smouldering, wreckage-strewn facility.

The fire started late on Saturday at the depot in Sitakunda, which stores around 4,000 containers, many filled with garments destined for Western retailers. The facility is about 40km (25 miles) from the major southern port of Chittagong.

The blaze caused containers holding chemicals to explode, engulfing firefighters, volunteers and journalists in an inferno, hurtling people and debris through the air, and turning the night sky a blazing orange. Buildings located kilometres away rattled with the force of the blast.

Elias Chowdhury, regional chief doctor said the number of dead was 49 but it would likely increase. "The death toll will rise as the rescue work has not been completed yet," Chowdhury said."These people — including several journalists who were doing Facebook lives — are still not accounted for."

Firefighters continued to douse pockets of fire on Sunday afternoon, with television footage showing smoke still billowing from some containers, more than 19 hours after the fire began. Reazul Karim, operations director of the fire department, said at least seven firefighters died and at least four others were missing.

"Never in our fire department history have we lost so many firefighters in a single incident," Bharat Chandra, a former senior firefighter, told AFP. "There are still some bodies inside the fire-affected places. I saw eight or 10 bodies," one volunteer told reporters.

Mujibur Rahman, the director of B.M. Container Depot, the firm operating the facility with around 600 workers, said that the cause of the initial fire was still unknown.

The container depot held hydrogen peroxide, fire service chief Brigadier General Main Uddin told reporters. "We still could not control the fire because of the existence of this chemical," he said. 'Fireballs falling like rain'

Mohammad Ali, 60, who runs a nearby grocery store, said the blast was deafening. "A cylinder flew around half a kilometre from the fire spot to our small pond when the explosion occurred," he said.

"The explosion sent fireballs into the sky. Fireballs were falling like rain. We were so afraid and immediately left our home to find refuge... We thought the fire would spread to our locality as it is densely populated," he added.

Lorry driver Tofael Ahmed was standing inside the depot when the explosion occurred. "The explosion just threw me some 10 metres from where I was standing," he said. "My hands and legs are burned."

Chowdhury, the chief doctor in Chittagong, said the injured had been rushed to different hospitals as doctors were brought back from holiday to help.

Requests for blood donations for the injured flooded social media. The army said it had deployed 250 troops to prevent chemicals flowing into the Indian Ocean by using sandbags. Rakibul Alam Chowdhury from the Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association said about 110 million dollars worth of garments were destroyed in the fire. *AFP*

A firefighter trying to contain a blaze that broke out at the BM Inland Container Depot in Bangladesh | AP

Toll expected to rise

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People carry a body at the BM Inland Container Depot, a Dutch-Bangladesh joint venture, early on Sunday | AP

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Missiles hit Kyiv, Putin warns West

A Pion artillery system of the Russian military fires at a target in an undisclosed location in Ukraine | AP VIA RUSSIAN DEFENSE MINISTRY PRESS SERVICE

KYIV

RUSSIA took aim at Western military supplies for Ukraine's government with early Sunday airstrikes in Kyiv that it said destroyed tanks donated from abroad, as President Vladimir Putin warned that any Western deliveries of long-range rocket systems to Ukraine would prompt Moscow to hit 'objects that we haven't yet struck'.

The cryptic threat of a military escalation from the Russian leader didn't specify what the new targets might be, but it comes days after the US announced plans to deliver $700 million of security assistance for Ukraine that includes four precision-guided, medium-range rocket systems, helicopters, Javelin anti-tank weapon systems, radars, tactical vehicles, spare parts and more.

Military analysts say Russia is hoping to overrun the embattled eastern Donbas region, where Russia-backed separatists have fought the Ukrainian government for years, before any weapons that might turn the tide arrive.

The Pentagon said earlier this week it will take at least three weeks to get the precision US weapons and trained troops onto the battlefield.

Russian forces pounded railway facilities and other infrastructure in Kyiv on Sunday, which had previously seen weeks of eerie calm.

Ukraine's nuclear plant operator, Energoatom, said one cruise missile buzzed the Pivdennoukrainsk nuclear plant, about 350 kilometers (220 miles) to the south, on its way to the capital ' citing the dangers of such a near miss.

There was no immediate confirmation from Ukraine that the Russian airstrikes had destroyed tanks. Kyiv hadn't faced any such strikes since the April 28 visit of UN Secretary-General Ant'nio Guterres.

The early morning attack triggered air raid alarms and showed that Russia still had the capability and willingness to hit at Ukraine's heart since abandoning its wider offensive across the country to instead focus its efforts in the east.

In a posting on the Telegram app, the Russian Defence Ministry said high-precision, long-range air-launched missiles were used.

In a television interview on Sunday, Putin lashed out at Western deliveries of weapons to Ukraine, saying they aim to prolong the conflict.

'All this fuss around additional deliveries of weapons, in my opinion, has only one goal: To drag out the armed conflict as much as possible,' Putin said, alluding to US plans to supply multiple launch rocket systems to Kyiv.

He insisted such supplies were unlikely to change much for the Ukrainian government, which he said was merely making up for losses of rockets of similar range that they already had. If Kyiv gets longer-range rockets, he added, Moscow will 'draw appropriate conclusions and use our means of destruction, which we have plenty of, in order to strike at those objects that we haven't yet struck.'

The missiles hit Kyiv's Darnytski and Dniprovski districts, Mayor Vitali Klitschko said on the Telegram, punctuating the Kremlin's goal of seizing the entire Donbas. Energoatom said one cruise missile came dangerously close to the Pivdennoukrainsk nuclear power plant. It said the missile 'flew critically low' and that Russian forces 'still do not understand that even the smallest fragment of a missile that can hit a working power unit can cause a nuclear catastrophe and radiation leak.' *AP*

Ukraine needs 'constant' Western aid

Kyiv: Ukraine's deputy defence minister stressed on Sunday that the country needed continuous military support from Western countries until it defeated Moscow's forces. "The West must understand that its help cannot be a one-time thing, but something that continues until our victory," said Ganna Malyar. *AFP*

Pope calls for 'real negotiations'

Vatican city: Pope Francis renewed calls on Sunday for "real negotiations" to end what he called the "increasingly dangerous escalation" of the conflict in Ukraine. "As the fury of destruction and death rages and clashes flare, I renew my appeal to the leaders of nations: Please do not lead humanity to destruction," the pontiff said. He called for "real negotiations for a ceasefire. *AFP*

ASIA MATTERS

THAILAND

59 Rohingyas found abandoned on island

Bangkok: Fifty-nine Rohingya people have been discovered on a Thai island, saying they were abandoned by traffickers en route to Malaysia, a senior police officer said Sunday. The group, including five children, were found on Koh Dong island in the southern Satun province on Saturday, said lieutenant general Surachet Hakpan. Each year, thousands of the mostly Muslim minority Rohingya people risk their lives in months-long expensive journeys to reach Malaysia over Thailand's seas. The police said they had been charged with illegal entry and could face deportation to Myanmar following a court case. "We are providing humanitarian assistance and will investigate whether they are victims of human trafficking or if they entered illegally," Surachet said. *AFP*

PHILIPPINES

Ash covers towns after volcano eruption

Manila: A volcano in the eastern Philippines spewed a huge, dark cloud on Sunday, prompting evacuations from ash-covered towns while authorities warned of possible further eruptions. The blast from Bulusan volcano in the rural Sorsogon province lasted about 17 minutes, sending a grey plume shooting up at least one kilometre, said Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology. No casualties were reported. *AFP*

SOUTH KOREA

'N Korea test-fires salvo of ballistic missiles'

Seoul: North Korea test-fired a barrage of short-range ballistic missiles from multiple locations toward the sea on Sunday, South Korea's military said, extending a provocative streak in weapons demonstrations this year that US and South Korean officials say may culminate with a nuclear test explosion. Possibly setting a single-day record, eight missiles were fired in succession over 35 minutes from at least four locations, including western and eastern coastal areas, and two inland areas north of and near Pyongyang, said South Korea's Joint Chiefs of Staff. Hours later, Japan and the US conducted a joint ballistic missile exercise to show their 'rapid response capability" and 'strong determination' to counter threats,stated Japan's Defence Ministry. *AP*

Partygate: Boris's future as PM hangs in balance

LONDON

BORIS Johnson still faces a precarious future as the British Prime Minister over the fallout of the partygate scandal as a latest opinion poll on Sunday forecast a bruising for his Conservative Party in a by-election scheduled later this month.

More than 40 of his Tory MPs have publicly called for Johnson's resignation as the party leader over the scandal of Covid law-breaking parties under his premiership at Downing Street, an issue which remains in the spotlight since the scathing findings of leadership failures in an inquiry by top civil servant Sue Gray. A survey of voters in Wakefield, who go to the polls for a by-election on June 23 to elect a new MP, suggests the Tories could lose by as much as 20 points.

The polling by JL Partners for 'The Sunday Times' puts the Opposition Labour Party on 48 points compared with 28 points for the Conservatives, a 19-point drop on the winning Tory performance two-and-a-half years ago.

Such a result is bound to intensify calls for Johnson's resignation as Wakefield is part of the so-called "Red Wall" ' traditionally Labour-supporting areas in the north of England, the Midlands, and Wales which had switched their support to the Tories under Johnson in the December 2019 general election.

The byelection later this month follows former Pakistani-origin Tory MP Imran Ahmad Khan's resignation in the wake of his conviction over sexual assault.

A by-election at Tiverton and Honiton in southern England, on the same day as Wakefield, is also being seen as a referendum of Johnson's leadership. Sir Graham Brady, the chairman of the 1922 Committee of Tory backbenchers, will count the letters of no-confidence on Monday. *PTI*

Three killed in latest US shooting

WASHINGTON

Three people were killed and 11 others wounded late on Saturday in the US city of Philadelphia after multiple shooters opened fire into a crowd on a busy street, said the police.

The night-time barrage marked the latest mass shooting to jolt the United States, a country in the grips of a gun violence epidemic that shows no signs of abating even as lawmakers scramble for ways to reduce the carnage that has already claimed several thousand American lives this year.

Philadelphia police inspector D F Pace told reporters that two men and a woman were killed, adding that officers responding to the incident "observed several active shooters shooting into the crowd." "You can imagine there were hundreds of individuals enjoying South Street when this shooting broke out," Pace said.

Local media reported that no arrests had been made. *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

Australian PM begins visit to Indonesia

Jakarta: Australia's Prime Minister Anthony Albanese arrived in Jakarta on Sunday to begin a three-day visit to Indonesia after pledging his intention to deepen cooperation between the two countries. The visit is his first bilateral trip since being sworn in as Australia's 31st prime minister on May 23. Albanese, accompanied by several cabinet ministers including Foreign Minister Penny Wong, is scheduled to meet President Joko Widodo on Monday. *AFP*

Lanka's amendment to Constitution to be submitted before cabinet today

COLOMBO

THE 21st amendment to the Constitution to empower the Sri Lankan parliament over the executive president will be submitted to the cabinet for approval on Monday, Justice Minister Wijeyadasa Rajapakshe said on Sunday.

The 21st amendment is expected to annul the 20A to the Constitution, which gives unfettered powers to President Gotabaya Rajapaksa after abolishing the 19th amendment that strengthened the parliament.

Rajapakshe said a special discussion on the matter was held with the backing of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa last week. He along with Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe and Foreign Minister G L Peiris participated in the discussion, Lanka First, an online news portal reported.

Rajapakshe said the draft of the amendment will be gazetted after receiving the approval of the Cabinet.

Prime Minister Wickremes amendment, saying it will enhance the role of parliament in governing the debt-ridden country which is also facing an unprecedented political turmoil. *PTI*

Picnics and parade to end Queen Elizabeth II's historic jubilee celebration

LONDON

THE curtain comes down on four days of celebrations to mark Queen Elizabeth II's historic Platinum Jubilee on Sunday, in a finale of picnics, a public parade and a pop serenade.

Singer-songwriter Ed Sheeran wraps up a day-long pageant in central London with a rendition of his 2017 hit 'Perfect', capping a long-weekend of festivities combining military pomp and tradition with music and culture.

Across the country, more than 10 million people braved overcast skies to share food with friends, family and neighbours to mark the 96-year-old monarch's record-breaking 70-year reign.

It was unclear if the queen will attend any events on Sunday after she was forced to skip events on the previous two days because of increasing difficulties in walking and standing.

At a star-studded music concert outside Buckingham Palace on Saturday she put in a surprise on-screen appearance, taking tea with the beloved children's book and film character Paddington Bear.

In the pre-recorded video, she tapped out the drumbeat of rock band Queen's "We Will Rock You" — the concert's opening number — on a fine china teacup and saucer to get the party started. The clip, in which the monarch jokingly revealed that she keeps a marmalade sandwich in her handbag, had been viewed 1.7 million times on the royals' official YouTube channel by Sunday morning. Two public holidays on Thursday and Friday, longer pub opening hours, street parties and other events have temporarily lifted the gloom of soaring inflation and political turmoil. Many saw it as a once-in-a-generation event to mark the closing of an extraordinary chapter in British life and to recognise its most famous national symbol. A running theme has been the dramatic social, political and technological changes in Britain and the world since the queen came to the throne in 1952 — and her constant presence through it all.

The Gold State Coach passes in front of Buckingham Palace during the platinum jubilee pageant in London on Sunday | AP

"She's been the queen my whole life. She's the world's grandmother as far as I'm concerned — John Barli, a visitor

With her heir Prince Charles now 73, the next jubilee — probably for his eldest son William's 25th year on the throne — could be at least 50 years away.

"She's been the queen my whole life. She's the world's grandmother as far as I'm concerned," visiting American John Barli told the Sunday Times.

But there was also acknowledgement that the second Elizabethan era — five centuries after the first — is nearly over. *AFP*

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₹40,000 cr Foreign Portfolio Investors have pulled out from the markets in May, as per depositories data

Smallcase or MF: What's for retail investors?

Smallcases and MFs provide portfolio-based exposure to equity, but the constructs and mechanics differ a lot

BIVEKANANDA BISWAS
@ New Delhi

MUTUAL funds have been popular instrument among investors who want to earn better returns than the traditional investment products such as fixed deposits or Post Office savings schemes.

However, many retail investors cannot resist the temptation of investing directly in stock markets. But retail investors, typically, lack stock-picking expertise that large institutional or high-net-worth individuals have. Yet they take a plunge in direct equity investment, and in many cases end up burning their fingers.

While several brokerage and investment firms have Portfolio Management Services (PMS) which offer direct stock investment services, thresholds of PMS are so high that very few retail investors can afford it. So, these investment firms have come up with theme-based direct stock portfolios/baskets for retail investors. Smallcase Technologies, a company, has brought in stock baskets for investors based on different themes and ideas so that they can choose themes from a wide range of offerings.

And these stock baskets are now offering retail investors an alternative route to directly invest in stocks instead of investing through mutual funds. But can Smallcase-like solutions replace mutual funds? Should retail investors shift their investment from mutual funds to baskets of stocks offered through the Smallcase platform?

Smallcase: A low down

Smallcases are baskets of stocks or exchange traded funds (ETFs) that are professionally managed by SEBI-registered investment managers and advisors. Each Smallcase is based on a specific idea that could be a theme, strategy or objective. Some of the most popular Smallcases include asset allocation-based smallcases all-weather Investing, equity and gold, while the factor-based strategies include smart beta, dividend based, models (momentum, value), etc.

While both Smallcases and mutual funds provide a portfolio-based exposure to equity, the constructs and mechanics differ a lot. In Smallcases, the investor owns the constituent stocks in their own demat accounts, while mutual funds are pooled structures, where an investor gets units of the scheme they chose.

In Smallcases, the investor has full visibility and transparency into the composition as

well as how the individual constituents are changing, the advantage mutual fund investors don't have. For instance, in the case of mutual funds, the investor can track one change daily in the NAV whereas with Smallcases, the investor has full visibility and transparency into the composition as well as how the individual constituents are also changing. Also, in the case of rebalancing/changes in composition, there are tax implications in the case of smallcase, which don't occur with mutual funds.

Vasanth Kamath, founder and CEO of Smallcase, says: "The Smallcases ecosystem, which we are building, is an open platform layer for multiple capital market participants (brokerages, distribution apps, investment managers to create, offer and enable a new class of products called Smallcases."

Sectoral portfolio under smallcases

Smallcases theme	5-yr CAGR (%)
FMCG Tracker	9.6
IT Tracker	29.96
Digital Inclusion	9.31
Rising Rural Demand	9.61
Affordable Housing	10.17
Pharma Tracker	13.34
Banking Tracker	0.78
Energy Tracker	7.75
Infra Tracker	14.87
Realty Tracker	13.1

Source: SmallCase.com

Kamath says mutual funds are more diversified and broader whereas Smallcases are more focused and related to the specific idea they reflect, which result in a larger catalogue of Smallcase ideas and strategies that could be created with a smaller portfolio composition.

According to him, ready-made portfolios of stocks/ETFs reflecting various ideas in the form of smallcases become a simpler and more transparent option for new investors to choose from based on what they understand.Portfolio-level diversification and professional management also reduces the risks that come with single-stock investing. In Smallcase, there are 400+ portfolios managed by registered professionals. Investors can use their existing trading and demat accounts with 15-plus partnered brokers to login to the Smallcase app. A user can then subscribe to a Smallcase, place an order to buy the whole portfolio with one-click, see the transaction happen in real-time, and monitor performance on the app or web. Users will receive notifications on their Smallcase app, which tells them when a change to the portfolio is due based on the manager's regular monitoring and review. Users can wholly or partially exit the Smallcase at any time. Investment professionals say it is not an either-or choice between mutual funds and smallcases. Both have different types of advantages.

They say investors should invest according to their risk-taking capacity and understanding of products. According to them, the advantage of mutual funds is that they are actively managed by experienced and knowledgeable professionals, therefore, new investors should keep invested in these funds.

However, those who have capacity to bear the risk can invest directly or go for theme-based portfolios according to their understanding.

Smallcases are focused portfolios based on ideas: Vasanth Kamath

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The ecosystem we are building is an open platform layer for participants to create, offer and enable a new class of products called smallcases.

VASANTH KAMATH, CEO, smallcase

AS markets have been quite turbulent in recent times, theme-based portfolios are gaining momentum. Smallcases promoted by Smallcase Technologies are baskets of stocks or ETFs (exchange traded funds) that are professionally managed by SEBI-registered investment managers and advisors. **Vasanth Kamath, founder and CEO of smallcase**, talked to **Bivekananda Biswas** to throw light on how these theme-based portfolios work and why the investors should invest in them. Edited excerpts:

What is Smallcase and how does it works?

Smallcases are baskets of stocks or ETFs (exchange traded funds) that are professionally managed by SEBI registered investment managers and advisors. Each smallcase is based on a specific idea - this could be a theme, strategy or objective - the constituents of which depend on the underlying theme. Some of the most popular smallcases include asset allocation based smallcases (All-weather Investing, equity & gold), factor-based strategies (smart beta, dividend based), models (momentum, value), etc.

The smallcases ecosystem which we are building is an open platform layer for multiple capital market participants (brokerages, distribution apps, investment managers) to create, offer and enable a new class of products called smallcases.

What is the difference between Smallcase and mutual funds?

While both smallcases and mutual funds provide a portfolio-based exposure to equity, the constructs and mechanics differ a lot.

Mutual funds are pooled structures, so an investor gets units of mutual funds whereas with smallcases, the investor owns the constituent stocks in their own demat accounts. Due to this difference, the user experience also differs. For instance, in the case of mutual funds, the investor can track one change daily in the NAV whereas with smallcases, the investor has full visibility and transparency into the composition as well as how the individual constituents are also changing. Also, in the case of rebalancing/changes in composition, there are tax implications in the case of smallcase which don't occur with mutual funds.

In terms of exposures as well, mutual funds are more diversified and broader whereas a smallcase is a more focused/concentrated portfolio related to the specific idea it reflects. This results in a larger catalog of smallcase ideas and strategies that could be created with a smaller portfolio composition. for example, House of TATAs is a smallcase with all the listed TATA group companies.

Why should people invest in Smallcase instead of mutual funds?

INVestors shouldn't decide between smallcases vs mutual funds, rather should allocate to both in their portfolio; based on the risk tolerance, investment goals and preferences, the proportions will vary from investor to investor.

Investors that are looking to diversify beyond mutual funds into direct equities should look at smallcases as a simpler, healthier and professionally managed way to take this exposure. Ready-made portfolios of stocks/ETFs reflecting various ideas in the form of smallcases become a simpler and more transparent option for new investors to choose from based on what they understand. Portfolio level diversification and professional management also reduces the risks that come with single-stock investing.

How should people invest in Smallcase?

BASed on a user's investment goals, risk appetite, preferred strategy or theme, he/she can choose from 400+ smallcases created and managed by registered professionals. They can use their existing trading & demat accounts with 15+ partnered brokers to login to the smallcase app/website. A user can then subscribe to a smallcase, place an order to buy the whole portfolio with one-click, see the transaction happen in real-time (during market hours), and monitor performance on the app or web.

Users will receive notifications on their smallcase app which tells them when a change to the portfolio is due based on the manager's regular monitoring and review. User logs in and clicks 'Rebalance', and confirms the transaction if they agree with the manager's suggestions. The platform enables the applicable buy and sell orders through the user's trading & demat account and confirms when the transactions are executed. User can exit the smallcase at any time.

Market braces for MPC outcome on June 8

RAM SAHGAL @ Mumbai

THE market direction will be influenced by the MPC decision on interest rates on June 8 at the conclusion of the two-day meeting.

While Nifty supports are at 16500 and 16300, resistances kick in at 16700, 16900 and 17000. Nifty closed at 16584.3.

However, the 12-share Bank Nifty will be in focus, given the impending policy decision. Markets have priced in another 25-40 bps hike in the repo rate, but the governor's commentary will be keenly watched.

Traders have priced in a range of 34650 - 36350 on the Bank Nifty, which closed at 35275 on Friday.

RBI hiked the repo rate by 40 bps last month in an off turn meeting to tame retail price inflation which hit 7.79% in April.

".Central banks' (RBI and US Fed) thoughts on growth and inflation will be an important determinant of market trend," said Vinod Nair , research head of Geojit Financial Services. "If the central banks decide on a stringent policy tightening, the market mood can swing bearish." The Fed meets on June 14-15.

"We may have seen the peak of inflation for now but we may not have seen the end of it yet. And failure to bring down inflation even after the central bank reaches the neutral rate has the possibility of destabilizing the economy," said Churchil Bhatt, Executive Vice President & Debt Investments, Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance Company. "Hence, failure to contain the inflation genie should scare the markets more than the policy maker's fight against it. We expect the MPC to deliver a no-brainer policy rate hike of 25-40 (basis points) bps in June."

FIIs have sold shares worth $7.7bn so far this fiscal year (Apr-June 2). In FY22 , they sold shares worth $18.46bn. The selling started in earnest from October last year, after the Nifty hit a high of 18604.45. From then it has fallen 11% to 16584.3.

WHAT IS PRUDENCE IN FINANCE?

RAJAS KELKAR

AT an event recently, N R Narayana Murthy, the founder of technology services giant Infosys Technologies, said that it is not prudent for businesses to look at initial public offerings or IPOs as a financing round.

A lot of companies go public, creating high expectations before delivering profits. That is because they overestimate the market size for their products or services. Investors read about the company's market assessment in the draft red herring prospectus, if at all. You would find the company management crowing about prospects in a positive light. A lot of new investors buy into that only to suffer a loss.

Companies like Zomato and One97 Communications, the parent of Paytm, the payment service, are prime examples. Other new-age technology companies too make no profit but hope to have a sky-high market value. Modern-day technology companies should take a leaf out of how Murthy and his founding team took their company public. Managing a business is a lot about managing the expectations of stakeholders. These include shareholders, bondholders, employees and society. You cannot be on a path of losses and expect investors to support your business. Similarly, you cannot default on loan payments and be a successful bond issuer. You need to do good to employees and society and maintain a credible financial performance.

As an investor, you may wonder about your ability to judge all of that in a business. You are just a minority investor, and it is very little you can do about upholding 'prudence' in the company you invest in. However, when investing, you can avoid being reckless. That can be prudence to some extent. Managing risk is a skill that you need to hone to manage your finances.

Risk diversification

You want to create wealth to ensure the financial security of you and your family. If you are responsible for managing the money in your house, you have a responsibility.

You are also dealing with the expectations of family members. Your children may be in school for now, but they would want to pursue a professional career. As a parent, you would like to support their endeavour. You could be living in a big metropolitan city but aspire to move to a bigger living space than now. You need your money to work for you.

The only way you can create wealth for yourselves, in the long run, is by investing in equity assets. They are your only chance to beat inflation over the next 10 to 15 years. Diversification of risk is possible through a portfolio of assets. If you are already into finance, you are aware of asset allocation. You probably may also have a financial advisor for support. They would advise you to spread your risk by putting money across asset classes. When investing in equity, you got an option of buying shares directly or investing through mutual funds or index funds.

If you are new to investing, you must know that taking risks is needed for creating long-term wealth. At the same time, you do not have to research or indulge in stock picking. Investing in gossip is the last thing you need.

The simplest way for you to take risks but diversify simultaneously is to invest through equity mutual funds or index funds.

There is no shortcut to wealth. You have to set aside your investible surplus and stay invested regularly.

WHEN TO BE PRUDENT

Your risk appetite is based on your ability to generate income. If you are confident about that and have a steady income, there is no reason why you cannot invest regularly and create wealth.

Prudence suggests avoiding risks when you have income uncertainty. Your priority should be to protect yourself and your loved ones from any financial risk. Building an emergency fund is more than just prudence.

When to take the risk

Your risk appetite is based on your ability to generate income. If you are confident about that and have a steady income, there is no reason why you cannot invest regularly and create wealth. Prudence suggests avoiding risks when you have income uncertainty. Your priority should be to protect yourself and your loved ones from any financial risk. Building an emergency fund is more than just prudence.

The pandemic of 2020-21 and subsequent lockdowns have proved that an emergency fund should exist in your bank account and be much more than previously thought.

Saving money at every step is prudence. Investing is a risk, but it is prudence when done with the proper asset allocation.

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MONEY-WISE

Retirement corpus planning: Wealth creation blunders I see - part II

FINANCIAL ADVICE

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ONE of the biggest blunders that people make is ignoring inflation. Imagine you were (are) living in the USA. From 1980 till 2021 you had inflation of 2% per annum. Now inflation is not just above 2%, it is at 8%! There is a whole generation of Americans who have not experienced inflation.

Luckily for us, we have always had inflation in India. However, many Indians who have experienced inflation also ignore - or underestimate inflation.

Of course when you are young it is difficult to imagine inflation in your '80s. I met a 82 year old who was earning ₹5000 a year when he was 23 years of age. He now spends ₹50,000 a month on himself and his wife. Just imagine would he have believed that 'he would spend 10x his annual income on a monthly basis after 50 years'. Other way of looking at inflation is "it is negative compounding". Remember this while planning for your retirement".

Another big blunder is taking advice from talking heads - sales heads, fund managers, almost anybody willing to talk. They come and talk some nonsense like "Flexicap is the best fund to invest" or quote some old stuff like "the amount you have in debt assets is the same as your numerical age" - so a 25 year old should have 25% in debt and an 80 year old should have 80% in debt.

These are generalisations and should be used only with the understanding of complex topics like Asset Allocation. When you follow the herd you have to remember that there could be a cliff- and you could fall along with the herd!

Trying to time the market - when a person retires, he wants to look busy. Women don't fall into this trap as much as the men do!

One way men keep themselves busy is trying to trade and timing the market. Trading is an expensive way to find out who you are.

Trading and timing the market can be dangerous for a newly retired person. Recently I saw a person wipe out his networth at the age of 64 years! It cannot get worse than that! Trading as well as market timing look attractive -but it is addicting, nerve-racking, and worse, it is crippling.

"Investing" in assets that people do not understand - Cryptocurrency, Gold, even Rental real estate. The problem with Real estate is that for older people to manage it - finding new tenants, maintenance, attending meetings of the society. It is not as easy as it looks.

To think that on retirement you will have a lot of time and will be able to manage a complex portfolio is not just wrong. It is completely wrong. Real estate has another disadvantage - partial liquidity is not possible. I see people making all these mistakes, and hurting their retirement corpus real bad.

Buying very expensive annuities - and all at a time is a very poor thing to do. If you Must buy annuities, buy it in 2-3 instalments.

This gives you a staggered pricing of annuities. Also make sure that you do not buy annuities far beyond your budget. The annuity is a very poor product - and is poorly priced. Stay away unless you have a good adviser who is asking you to buy it.

NADAL'S MAJOR WINS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	FRENCH OPEN	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2009, 2022	2005-2008, 2010-2014, 2017-2020, 2022	2008, 2010	2010, 2013, 2017, 2019

MOST SLAMS WON

Margaret Court: 24
Serena Williams: 23
Steffi Graf: 22
Rafael Nadal: 22*
Roger Federer: 20*
Novak Djokovic: 20*
* active

ROAD TO WIN

Rd 1: bt Jordan Thompson 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.
Rd 2: bt Corentin Moutet 6-3, 6-1, 6-4.
Rd 3: bt Botic van de Zandschulp 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.
Rd 4: bt F Auger-Aliassime 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.
QF: bt Novak Djokovic 6-2, 4-6, 6-2, 7-6 (4).
SF: bt Alexander Zverev 7-6 (8), 6-6 (via walkover).
Final: bt Casper Ruud 6-3, 6-3, 6-0.

I don't know what can happen in the future, but I'm going to keep fighting to try to keep going. For me, it's incredible to play here. It's an incredible feeling. It means everything to me. It means a lot of energy to try to keep going.

Rafael Nadal, French Open winner

KING OF GOAT TIMES

Nadal demolishes Norway's Ruud in straight sets in the final to grab 14th French Open title; takes his Major tally to a record-extending 22

14 Nadal has won all 14 of his finals in Roland Garros.

5 Nadal has won each of his last five Slam finals (Aus Open 2019 was his last loss).

1 Casper Ruud was the first Norwegian to play in a Major final.

112 Nadal has now won 112 matches at the French Open to go with three losses.

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Chennai

ROLAND Garros, the story goes, was a pioneer in the world of aviation. A self-taught pilot, he emerged as a key figure in World War I even if it claimed his life. Before he passed away, he practiced something that was originally attributed to Napoleon Bonaparte. "Victory belongs to the most persevering". Legend has it that he painted it on the propellers of all the planes he flew in. To pay homage to this WWI fighter, France decided to name a newly constructed tennis stadium ahead of their Davis Cup final in 1928 against the US in his name.

It's only apt, then, that the player who has come to symbolise Stade Roland Garros the most is the one who lives by the mantra that was inscribed on the planes' propellers more than a century ago. Rafael Nadal — who now owns 14 French Open Slams (the same as Pete Sampras' entire collection to just put some perspective into the kind of achievement this is) and 22 Majors in all — further enriched his legacy on a Sunday afternoon thanks to what he did on the dirt over two weeks. He persevered, put his very creaking body — most of it, in actual reality, ought to be out of warranty by now — on the line and willed himself over the finish line.

He didn't struggle on Sunday. Against Casper Ruud, literally a student in the school Nadal founded in Mallorca, there was only ever going to be one winner: the headmaster. It was billed as 'teacher versus the apprentice' but the latter's challenge was quelled before it really began. The one time the Norwegian thought his big weapon — the forehand — was functioning like it ought to, it was 6-3, 1-3. There was a small window the 23-year-old had. He had broken Nadal and had the chance to consolidate. However, what makes Nadal a great player is the one very under-rated trait in his game: the ability to break back immediately.

3-1 became 3-2. The king in his den had been relatively subdued till then. His forehands didn't have the customary zing but he had used the backhand and a very efficient first serve to win a first set low on quality. But, just as the sun started streaking through the vast swathes of Court Philippe Chatrier, Nadal zoomed into life. From trailing 1-3 in the second set till the close of the match, Ruud picked up only 17 points (only four of those off the Nadal serve) while Nadal won 11 games. The domination was so total, so complete, that it may well have been a first round match. Considering better players had been bagelled by the Godfather of Clay in a final (read Roger Federer), Ruud need not get disheartened by the margin of defeat.

What changed from his earlier matches to the one that played out on Sunday? More belief, more aggression, a working forehand and a nervy opponent.

However, this French Open wasn't built on domination. It started with lots of self doubt, several question marks over his fitness and, really, that doggedness that marked him out. He arrived in Paris after revealing that he was managing an apparent foot condition: 'Mueller Weiss Syndrome (do not google it unless you want to be horrified)'. He had scratched his way through matches, had to save a match point and only reached the final after Alexander Zverev injured his ankle during a very tense semifinal. Hours after that semifinal, he startlingly revealed that he would gladly swap a Major title if a genie gave him a new foot.

WWI made Garros but it killed him anyway. So much success on clay — the most demanding surface — has made Nadal. It could also leave him with a permanent condition but he's not done yet.

Rafael Nadal reacts after beating Casper Ruud 6-3, 6-3, 6-0 in the French Open final at Roland Garros on Sunday. The Spaniard's first triumph here came in 2005 at age 19 | AP

FIRST SET

NADAL 6-3 RUUD

The Norwegian was a bit nervous to begin with, understandably. And Nadal, who won 14 of his 16 first serves, used that as a base to draw first blood. Ruud, though, had just begun to find some range with some of his bazooka-like forehands finding the radar.

SECOND SET

NADAL 6-3 RUUD

The World No 8 began by saving break points before converting a break point to open a 3-1 lead. Nadal, just as the sun started breaking through, upped his level to reel in his with a flurry of forehand winners (helped by Ruud's errors) to win five consecutive games.

THIRD SET

NADAL 6-0 RUUD

Better players have been bagelled in this set in the final (Roger Federer) and Ruud did not stand a chance after the way he ended the second set. The forehands flowed and found no problems in breaking Ruud all three games. The greatest there ever lived? Perhaps.

You are a true inspiration for me, for everyone who follows tennis around the world. So I hope — we all hope — that you will continue for some more time. We all know what a champion you are, and today I got to feel how it is to play against you in a final. And it's not easy.

Casper Ruud, Norway

Nadal vows to 'fight and keep going' post crown

AFP @Paris

RAFAEL Nadal said he would "fight to keep going" after beating Casper Ruud in the final to win his 14th French Open title on Sunday, despite being hampered by injury.

The record 22-time Grand Slam champion has been suffering from a chronic left foot problem and said earlier this week he was not sure how long he could continue and that every match at Roland Garros could be his last. On the eve of the final, he even said he'd rather lose Sunday in exchange for a new foot.

"I don't know what can happen in the future, but I'm going to keep fighting to try to keep going," Nadal said after thrashing Ruud 6-3, 6-3, 6-0. "For me, it's incredible to play here. It's an incredible feeling."

Nadal's victory was his 112th in the clay-court major, against only three defeats. His participation at the tournament had been in doubt even earlier in the season after another absence due to a rib stress fracture. Sunday's victory came 17 years to the day since Nadal won on his Roland Garros debut in 2005.

The 36-year-old, the oldest man to win the French Open, paid tribute to his team for helping him continue at the top of the sport. "I don't know what I would do in terms of injuries if it wasn't for the team, my family and everyone around me," said Nadal.

"I would've already retired much before if it wasn't for you... "I never believed I would be here at 36, being competitive again, playing in the most important court of my career one more time in a final.

"It means everything to me. It means a lot of energy to try to keep going."

Maharashtra in lead with nine gold at KIYG

AGENCIES @Panchkula

WEIGHTLIFTER Kajol Sargar, who is the daughter of a tea vendor, became the first gold medallist at the Khelo India Youth Games as defending champions Maharashtra surged into the lead in the medal table here on Sunday.

The 16-year-old from Sangli lifted a total of 113 kg (50kg in snatch + 63kg in clean & jerk) in the women's 40kg category to kick off Maharashtra's march towards the top of the medal's tally. She had won a bronze medal in the Youth Nationals in 2021.

Maharashtra scooped nine gold medals early in the morning but by late evening, hosts Haryana clawed their way back into the race, picking up six gold to take the second position.

Haryana garnered the most number of medals, though, capturing 23 (5 gold, 6 silver, 12 bronze) to Maharashtra's 17 (9 gold, 4 silver, 4 bronze).

Maharashtra expectedly bagged three out of four gold on offer in weightlifting, and also three yellow metals in yoga and one in cycling.

RANJI TROPHY

Battle among the best

The quarterfinals of the Ranji Trophy begin in Bengaluru on Monday. A look...

MUMBAI VS UTTARAKHAND

The 41-time winners enter this fixture has favourites. Led by Prithvi Shaw, Mumbai are seeking their first Ranji title since 2015-16 and, while Uttarakhand are playing their second-ever quarterfinal. In this David vs Goliath contest, Uttarakhand have to overcome Mumbai's batting might which includes youngsters Shaw, Sarfaraz Khan, Armaan Jaffer to progress to the semifinals.
Live on Hotstar

BENGAL VS JHARKHAND

Bengal were the only team to win all their three group games and having finished runners-up in the previous edition, look good to go all the way this time. Be it with the bat or ball, they have proven players who have delivered them consistently. For Jharkhand, this would be a massive challenge as they need everyone to bring their A game to play.
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PUNJAB VS MADHYA PRADESH

An interesting match-up led by two experienced coaches Surendra Bhave and Chandrakant Pandit. Both these teams have a core of young players, but Punjab have the upper hand in this tie thanks to the quality in their ranks. In Shubman Gill, Prabhsimran Singh, Abhishek Sharma, Anmolpreet Singh, Mandeep Singh and Gurkeerat Mann, Punjab have an excellent batting unit. MP, on the other hand, will need to play out of their skin to advance.
Live on Hotstar

KARNATAKA VS U PRADESH

Pick of the quarterfinals. If the former have all the batting might, UP have a very good bowling attack which includes the young pacers Mohsin Khan and Yash Dhayal. Their batting revolves around Rinku Singh, Akshdeep Narth and Priyam Garg. But playing at home Karnataka have Devdutt Padikkal, Mayank Agarwal, Manish Pandey, Karun Nair in their ranks. If their inexperienced bowling unit sans Prasidh Krishna can step up, Karnataka would be hard to stop on their home soil.
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ALL MATCHES BEGIN AT 9.30 AM

Swiatek downplays Wimbledon hopes

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IGA Swiatek says that she has "no expectations" for Wimbledon despite taking her winning streak to 35 matches by securing a second French Open title.

The world number one cruised past teenager Coco Gauff 6-1, 6-3 in Saturday's final at Roland Garros to win her sixth successive tournament this year, including four WTA 1,000 titles and one major.

"My coach believes I can win more matches on grass," said Swiatek, who has reached the second week at seven consecutive Grand Slam tournaments. "I would like to add like one or two. But honestly, grass is always tricky. I actually like the part that I have no expectations there," she added.

Bronze for Bajrang, gold for Aman

AGENCIES @Almaty

BAJRANG Punia got his act together to claim a bronze medal after ultra-defensive tactics resulted in his opening-round defeat even as Aman claimed his first gold medal at the senior level with a commanding show in the 57kg competition at the Bolat Turlykhanov Cup, here Sunday.

Bajrang, the Tokyo Games bronze winner, struggled in his opening bout against Uzbekistan's Abbos Rakhmonov, losing 3-5 but competed much better in the bronze-play off where he played smartly to score on counter-attacks against Kazkahstan's Rifat Saibotalov, winning 7-0.

Bajrang foiled a right leg attack from Saibotalov and then scored two points on counter attack after his rival went for his right leg.

The 28-year-old converted a left-leg attack into points and foiled another valiant effort from the home-favourite.

Bajrang was quick with his movements that was key in his mix of defence and attack in the crucial bout.

In the 57kg, Aman, who trains at Chhatrasal stadium with Tokyo Olympics silver medallist Ravi Dahiya, was very impressive. He began with a 15-12 win over Meirambek Kartbay in the high-scoring opening bout and followed that with a technical superiority win over Abdymalik Karachov from Kyrgyzstan. In his final bout, he edged out Kazakhstan's Merey Bazarbayev 10-9 to stay unbeaten in the five-wrestler category to claim gold. It is Aman's third medal this season, having won a silver at Dan Kolov and a bronze at Yasar Dogu.

Meanwhile, Vishal Kaliramana (70kg) and Naveen (74kg) missed out podium finishes after losing bronze medal rounds. India thus signed off with 12 medals from the Ranking Series event with the women's wrestlers claiming eight of them, including give gold.

CRICKET

Stokes hails 'Mr Dependable' Root after win

AFP @London

Joe Root was hailed as England's "Mr Dependable" by new captain Ben Stokes after his predecessor's unbeaten century helped launch the all-rounder's reign with a five-wicket win over New Zealand in the first Test at Lord's on Sunday.

Root made 115 not out as England chased down a target of 277 with wicketkeeper Ben Foakes (32 not out) providing excellent support in an unbroken partnership of 120.

Victory, achieved with more than a day to spare, saw England to just their second win in 18 Tests.

When Root completed his 26th century at this level he became the only player to have scored 10,000 runs within ten years of his Test debut.

Joe Root became the 14th man to 10,000 runs during his unbeaten knock of 115 | AFP

The Yorkshireman was also only the second Englishman to do so and the joint-youngest from any country to achieve the feat, equalling retired former England captain Alastair Cook's record of 31 years 157 days. "The game ebbed and flowed throughout the whole time," said Stokes at the presentation ceremony. "No-one ever really had the upper hand at any stage and I thought the way we handled the pressure in the fourth innings to chase down 270 on a pretty difficult wicket was fantastic.

"And obviously 'Mr Dependable', Joe Root, stood up. Scoring and 10,000 runs — what a player and what a man."

The second Test begins on June 10 at Nottingham.

Brief scores: NZ 132 & 285 lose to England 141 & 279/5 (Root 115 n.o, Stokes 54, Foakes 32; Jamieson 4/79).

EXPRESS READ

Hungary beat England for first time since 1962

PARIS: England went down to a surprise 1-0 defeat in Hungary in the UEFA Nations League on Saturday, while Germany had to come from behind to draw 1-1 with an inexperienced Italy team. Dominik Szoboszlai scored the only goal of the game from the penalty spot in the second half in Budapest as Hungary beat England for the first time since 1962.

Indian beat Poland, win FIH Hockey 5s meet

LAUSANNE: The Indian men's team were crowned champions of the inaugural FIH Hockey 5s tournament with an unbeaten record as they beat Poland 6-4 in the final here on Sunday. Earlier, India first outplayed Malaysia 7-3, pumping in four goals in the second half in a stunning show before beating Poland 6-2 in the second match of the day.

Wales enter World Cup for first time in 64 years

CARDIFF: Gareth Bale led Wales to their first World Cup since 1958 as Ukraine's dreams of lifting the spirits of a war-torn country were cruelly denied by a 1-0 defeat in Cardiff on Sunday. Bale's free-kick, which was turned into his own net by Ukrainian captain Andriy Yarmolenko, separated the sides despite the visitors dominating the game in sodden conditions.

The World Health Organization said Sunday that 780 laboratory-confirmed monkeypox cases had been reported to it from 27 non-endemic countries, while maintaining that the global risk level was moderate.

For the first time, a drug targeting a protein that drives breast cancer growth has been shown to work against tumors with very low levels of the protein. The latest gain could open new treatment possibilities to patients.

DNA analysis: Delving into the genetic theft

The study of genes can reveal not only personal information about an individual but also the core aspects of a person's identity

Representative image of DNA

CURRENT LEGAL FRAMEWORKS

When disputes involving genetic theft from public figures reach the courtroom, judges will need to confront fundamental questions about how genetics relates to personhood and identity, property, health and disease, intellectual property and reproductive rights. Such questions have been already raised in cases involving the use of genetics in law enforcement, the patentability of DNA and ownership of discarded genetic materials. In each of these cases, courts focused on only one dimension of genetics, such as privacy rights or value of genetic information for biomedical research. But this limited approach disregards other aspects, such as the privacy of family members with shared genetics, or property and identity interests someone may have in genetic material discarded as part of a medical procedure.

RESEARCH

ATLANTA: Every so often stories of genetic theft, or extreme precautions taken to avoid it, make headline news. So it was with a picture of French President Emmanuel Macron and Russian President Vladimir Putin sitting at opposite ends of a very long table after Macron declined to take a Russian PCR Covid-19 test.

Many speculated that Macron refused due to security concerns that the Russians would take and use his DNA for nefarious purposes. German Chancellor Olaf Scholz similarly refused to take a Russian PCR Covid-19 test.

While these concerns may seem relatively new, pop star celebrity Madonna has been raising alarm bells about the potential for nonconsensual, surreptitious collection and testing of DNA for over a decade. She has hired cleaning crews to sterilize her dressing rooms after concerts and requires her own new toilet seats at each stop of her tours.

At first, Madonna was ridiculed for having DNA paranoia. But as more advanced, faster and cheaper genetic technologies have reached the consumer realm, these concerns seem reasonable and justified.

We are law professors who study how emerging technologies like genetic sequencing are regulated. We believe that growing public interest in genetics has increased the likelihood that genetic paparazzi with DNA collection kits may soon become as ubiquitous as ones with cameras.

While courts have for the most part managed to evade dealing with the complexities of surreptitious DNA collection and testing of public figures, they won't be able to avoid dealing with it for much longer. And when they do, they are going to run squarely into the limitations of existing legal frameworks when it comes to genetics.

You leave your DNA behind you everywhere you go. The strands of hair, fingernails, dead skin and saliva you shed as you move through your day are collectible trails of DNA.

Genetic analysis can reveal not only personal information, such as existing health conditions or risk for developing certain diseases, but also core aspects of a person's identity, such as their ancestry and the potential traits of their future children. In addition, as genetic technologies continue to evolve, fears about using surreptitiously collected genetic material for reproductive purposes via in vitro gametogenesis become more than just paranoia.

EXFILE • ENVIRONMENT

WHERE TO FIND MORE WATER

KNOWING MORE ABOUT ECCENTRIC WATER SOURCES

Amidst climate change and rising populations worldwide, water shortage has emerged as a top threat to human development and security. As the Earth has limited sources of freshwater, let us look into some unconventional ideas of water tapping

DID YOU KNOW

India has about 4% of world's freshwater. Out of that, around 80% is used in agriculture sector

WATER SHORTAGES ON THE BLUE PLANET

One in four people on Earth face shortages of water for drinking, sanitation, agriculture and economic development. Water scarcity is expected to intensify in areas like Middle East and North Africa, which has **6% of the global population**

BUT ONLY 1% OF THE **world's freshwater resources**

LUCKY EARTH

Fortunately, Earth has other sources of water: millions of cubic kilometres of water in aquifers, in fog and icebergs, in the ballast hold of thousands of ships, and elsewhere

5 UNCONVENTIONAL WATER SOURCES

» 1. REUSING WATER

Advanced treatment systems can convert wastewater into potable water. Today, around 70% of municipal wastewater in high-income countries is treated, but only 8% in low-income countries

AGRICULTURAL DRAINAGE WATER

Irrigation generally results in two types of drainage water: water on the surface, and water that seeps into the earth. Surface runoff can be collected and used again to grow food. Salinity of drainage water is higher, but salt-tolerant crops and new varieties can meet this challenge

» 2. BREAK THE ICE

Another water source that can be physically moved to water-scarce areas is ice. More than 100,000 Arctic and Antarctic icebergs that melt into the ocean each year contain more freshwater than the world consumes. An analysis of towing icebergs to Cape Town suggests it is a sensible option if the icebergs to be towed are at least 125 million tons

» 3. MICRO-SCALE CAPTURE OF RAINWATER

In dry environments, over 90% of rainwater is typically lost to evaporation and surface runoff. Micro-catchment rainwater harvesting is an ancient practice designed to trap and collect water from a relatively small catchment area. It employs a wide range of techniques, from rooftop and cistern collection to farm and landscape systems

» 4. DESALINATION

Desalination is removing salt from seawater. It contributes over 100 million cubic metres of water a day, supporting about 5% of the world's population

Almost 48% of the global desalination capacity is located in the Middle East and North Africa region

New developments in desalination will likely make it the lowest-cost unconventional water supply resource worldwide

» 5. THE WATER TRANSFER

Ships transport around 90% of the goods traded worldwide and discharge some 10 billion tons of ballast water every year. Ballast water is fresh or saltwater held in the ship.

Under international convention, all ships of 400 gross tonnes and above must have onboard treatment options to desalinate ballast water and make it usable. This water could be sold to port cities in arid regions

Transport Department

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Consequent to the orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka and directions issued by the Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka, the general public hereby informed that, "Displaying of unauthorized names, emblems, names of the associations, on the registration plates of all Boards/ Non-Governmental organisations is contrary to Rules 50 and 51 of the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 and Sections 3,4 and 5 of the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act 1950, and for such registration plates to be removed immediately.

In spite of several publications from the Transport Department, vehicles with such unauthorized registration plates were seen plying on the roads and taking cognizance of the same, Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka vide order dated 27-05-2022 passed in Crl.P.No.1850/2017 has issued strict orders that action should be taken for immediate removal of such names, symbols, emblems etc., names of associations, organizations etc., general public on their private vehicles.

Therefore, it is informed again that boards Non organisation association and general public should remove such unauthorized registration plates with immediate effect. Further, if vehicles with such unauthorized number plates are seen in the public place, general public is requested to take a photo of vehicles along with details of location and send it to whatsapp No.9449863459 to take suitable action against the vehicle owners as per law.

Commissioner for Transport & Road Safety, Bangalore

Bangalore
Date : 04-06-2022

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To cherish and follow the noble ideals which inspired our national struggle for freedom - is the fundamental duty of every citizen of the country

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

Backward Classes Welfare Department

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40th Death Anniversary of

D. Devaraj Urs

A Progressive Leader, Social Reformer and Former Chief Minister of Karnataka

Date: 06.06.2022 Monday, 10:00 A.M. Venue: Vidhana Soudha West Gate, Bengaluru

Garlanding the statue of D. Devaraj Urs

Sri Basavaraj S. Bommai
Hon'ble Chief Minister

and

Sri Kota Srinivasa Poojary
Hon'ble Minister for Social Welfare and Backward Classes Welfare Department

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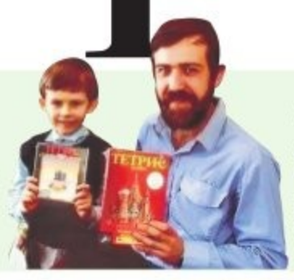
DAY'S DIARY

Video game origin

On this day in 1984, the video game Tetris was published by Russian scientist Alexey Pajitnov while working at the Soviet Academy of Sciences

SUCCESS STORY

Having sold over 170 million copies worldwide across a variety of consoles and platforms, Tetris still stands as one of the world's most successful games



RIGHTS AND OWNERSHIP

Since Pajitnov was an employee of the Academy, Tetris was owned by the Soviets. But the government was happy to license Tetris to companies like Nintendo

BEYOND THE COLD WAR

The video game stands out as one of the rare cultural products to come to the West from the Soviet Union during the Cold War

Always wanted to be part of cinema: Kiranraj

PG 4

REEL DEAL

Bengaluru boy Varun Agarwal, whose book is being adapted into a Bollywood film – produced by Ronnie Screwvala and Siddharth Roy Kapur – tells *CE* about how he's made his dream come true

Siddharth Roy Kapur with Varun Agarwal

ANILA KURIAN

TEN years ago, when Bengaluru *huduga* Varun Agarwal wrote his first book, *How I Braved Anu Aunty and Co-Founded A Million Dollar Company*, little did he imagine that it would turn into a Bollywood movie, *Bas Karo Aunty*, directed by Abhishek Sinha. Agarwal can't stop beaming at his stroke of luck. "Never in my imagination did I think that this book will be turned into a movie. I wrote it in 2012 and it was one of the first books about entrepreneurship that came out. Now, to see that it's going to have a reel life is extremely exciting," says Agarwal, who runs an edtech company called Grades Don't Matter.

The film is written by Nitesh Tiwari and Nikhil Mehrotra, and has Ishwak Singh and Mahima Makwana playing the lead roles. Producers Nitesh Tiwari and Ashwiny Iyer Tiwari have teamed with Star Studios, while Ronnie Screwvala and Siddharth Roy Kapur are to produce the film.

Agarwal's book is about a young boy's dream to become an entrepreneur even though he has to face many hindrances, including a funny take on how his mother and her best friend, Anu Aunty, stand in his way. Though he'd have loved for the film to be in English and Kannada, he's still thrilled with the outcome. "It's amazing that the story is going to be given a new light now because the plot still stands true in today's time. However, it's not just society standing in the way now; I feel the biggest Anu Aunty in one's life is ourselves," he says, adding, "True success comes when you come to terms with the critic within and outside of you and finally do what your heart says without any judgement. The movie will bring out such a message and I hope the audience will enjoy it."

With the shoot going on for almost a month now, the team hopes to launch it by December or January. More than anyone, it's Agarwal's mother who is most excited. "She truly believes that my book turning into a movie will be her ticket to meeting Shah Rukh Khan. More than anything, that's her one goal in life now," he laughs.

Having gone through clinical depression, Agarwal is happy to have a handle on his life again. And from his experience, he's working on a book on the subject in addition to a sequel to *How I Braved Anu Aunty...*

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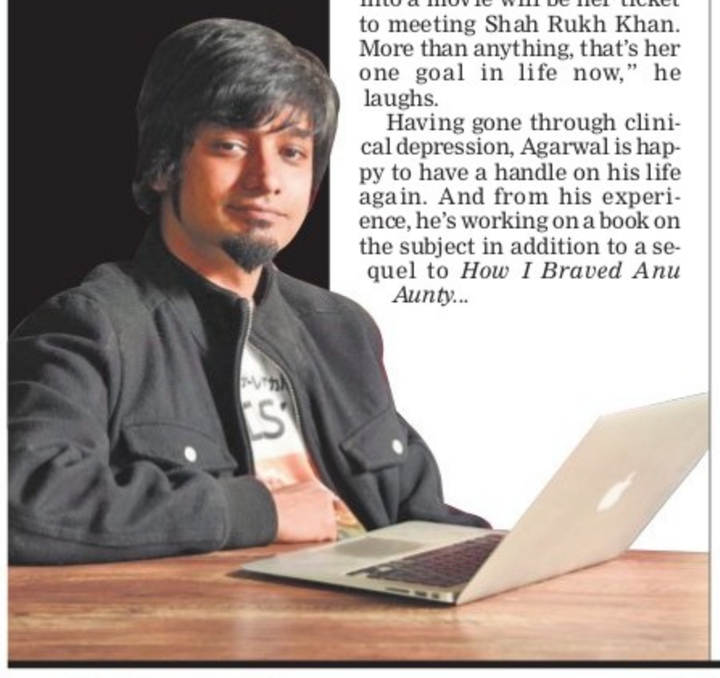


Miss World 2017 Manushi Chhillar, whose debut movie *Samrat Prithviraj* hit theatres on June 3, oozed elegance and royalty in a fuchsia pink Chanderi saree from a city-based boutique

Touch of grace

MONIKA MONALISA

IT'S been a big month for former Miss World Manushi Chhillar, whose debut movie *Samrat Prithviraj*, starring Akshay Kumar released on June 3. Chhillar, who is known for her elegant style, looked no less than a princess during the promotion of the movie. The actor decided to wear a fuchsia pink Chanderi saree from Bengaluru-based boutique Madhurya Creation for the Delhi promotion.

Chhillar, who plays the part of Sanyukta, the princess of Kannauj, paired the six-yard drape with a cream-coloured half-sleeved silk blouse with a wide neckline. "The look that the team had in mind was that of royalty and not a bridal one. We didn't want to go overboard but instead, wanted a hint of elegance. We wanted a rich look without any extravagance," explains Bharathy Harish, adding that it was one of the many options that she liked. "She liked the colours, combinations and the delicate touch of small flowers." It was celebrity stylist Sheefa Gilani who put together the whole look.

The saree that the actor wore comes from Chanderi, a small town in Madhya Pradesh, which is very close to Malwa and Bundelkhand. "Once upon a time, Chanderi sarees were meant only for the royals of Madhya Pradesh. Now, we have to support the artists and their skill sets," she says. It is said that Koshti weavers from Jhansi migrated to Chanderi and settled there around the 13th century.

During the Mughal period, this textile reached its peak in terms of business. "In Chanderi silks, the colour palette is what really sets the saree apart more than the intricacy of the motifs. The work on these kinds of sarees is not too heavy," she explains, adding that it takes six-eight weeks to weave a Chanderi silk saree.

Manushi completed the look with gold-toned earrings, matching Kundan gold bangles, and a sleek low bun with a centre parting.

"Another USP of these sarees is that they are very light and easy to drape," says Harish, adding that it works well for daily use.

Debolina Ray, a Bengaluru-based food & travel blogger who runs a blog called She Knows Grub, dishes out fun food-related trivia in this weekly series. So, answer these three questions and find out how much of a foodie you are

GRUB HUB

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Food quiz'**

The correct answers and names of the first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*. The first prize winner this week will win a complimentary voucher for two worth ₹1,000 from Sikandar Rolls**

THE RIGHT ANSWERS

1) Kotte kadubu; 2) Kashaya - ginger, turmeric, fennel; 3) Gooseberry/Nellikai

FIRST 3 TO GET IT RIGHT

1)Lakshmi Gayatri 2) Praveena Pobbati 3) Gopal S

***Conditions apply**

FUN AT FLEA

Actor Aindrita Ray made a stop at a flea market at Just be Resto Cafe in Sadashivanagar. From petting doggos which were part of an adoption drive to getting a tarot card reading done, Ray let her hair down on Sunday afternoon. The flea market, F.A.C.E It Flea (Food. Art. Consciousness. Environment), was part of the 5th anniversary celebrations of the cafe owned by Nidhi Nahata (right).

Skateparks in B'luru are on the rise with youngsters showing an increased interest in skateboarding

A skater at The Cave, Yelahanka

ON THE RIGHT TRACK

CHIRRAG GUHA

IF you want to hop onto a skateboard, you're in luck. With many Bengalureans showing an increased interest in skateboarding, skateparks are popping up in the city. These locations have always been a part of the culture in the United States of America but are slowly making their way to Bengaluru. Two of them are already up and running in Sarjapur and Yelahanka. Spread over thousands of sqft, these spaces give the thrill of strolling down on flimsy boards.

Skateboarding has grown to so much more than just a sport deemed to be deviant or a mode of half-hearted travel. Today, it is a popular pick among Gen-Z, which is highly inspired by both social media and the pandemic. Not to forget, the inclusion of skateboarding as an Olympic competition.

Take, for instance, The Cave, established by Holystoked Collective, a group of like-minded skateboarders, who have started a company in the hope of spreading the skateboarding culture and establishing skateparks for more freedom for skateboarders. Their establishment, The Cave, in Yelahanka, adjoining their skateboard essential shop, is touted to be the only free skatepark in the city. Tarun Teja, who works at the store on the premises, says, "New people come in every other day along with the park regulars; the park sees at least 50-60 people per week."

The Cave has become a household name for anyone who would call themselves a skater in the city. Skaters of all ages at all times of the day, every day assemble with the sole intention of skating and sharing their skate culture. The second skatepark is in Play Arena, Sarjapur, and is supposedly the largest skatepark in India – 16,000 sqft of concrete with two bowls, lights and a pro-shop for supplies. Workshops are held there for all ages of skaters to learn at the hands of the veteran.

Melvin Mathew (20), a budding skater, says how the time at the skatepark has changed his journey as a skateboarder. "Before I found out about The Cave, I could only practice skateboarding on my terrace or in my garage," he says, adding, "It's like a second home to me now."

Despite living in Koramangala, Mathew makes time to head to The Cave at least once a week. "My friends and I look forward to the weekend just so we can go skate. It feels different," he says. The importance of these skateparks is evident, with the only other possible place to skate being their own homes or Cubbon Park on a Sunday. Aryan Khanna(20), another amateur skater in the making, tells us how he's been growing. "I just began skating but I credit most of the progress to The Cave, the environment there pushes you to be better, it's an amazing feeling," says Khanna.

CITY READ

National moot court competition held

A national-level moot court competition was held at the University Law College at Jnanabharathi campus recently. KR Venugopal, vice-chancellor of Bangalore University, presided over the event. Registrar M Kotresh, president of Advocates' Association and senior advocate Vivek Subba Reddy, among others were the chief guests of the occasion. More than 20 teams from all over the country took part in the competition. Principal of the University Law College and dean, Suresh V Nadagoudar, was also present on the occasion.

Hospital celebrates Environment Day

In keeping with this year's World Environment Day theme 'Only One Earth', Aster Hospitals, Bengaluru joined hands with the traffic police personnel and other volunteers to encourage people to take action and protect the environment. An awareness programme on 'Plant to Save Trees' was conducted in Hebbal, Kodigehalli, JP Nagar and Whitefield, where placards were displayed and slogans were raised to create awareness about the importance of a healthy and green environment. More than 500 saplings were distributed to passers-by and patients visiting the hospitals.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

WORLD GIN DAY

A little citrusy and a little bitter, gin is a drink that everyone loves. This property offers just that on the second Saturday of June. Every year, the world celebrates Gin Day and so do they with a wide range of gin-based cocktails, including some signatures like Negroni, Gimlet, Gin Martinis, Gin and Tonic.
When: June 11 **Where:** JW Marriott, Bengaluru
Details: 8884494035

PET GALA

A day for you and your pet at the Petgala, Bangalore with interactive sessions throughout the day to bond with your furry friend. **When:** June 12 **Where:** Jayamahal Palace Hotel **Details:** bookmyshow.com

SPECIAL SUMMER MENU

It's the mango season and Bombay Borough is here with an exclusive mango menu. From Bombay mango salad to spicy mango chutney wings, experience the true essence of mangoes this season.
When: Till June 19
Where: Bombay Borough, Wood Street

Now Trending

Get ready to dance your hearts out at Supermoon Now Trending ft Arjun Kanungo. The *Aaya Na Tu* singer comes to Bengaluru to give you the time of your life. **When:** June 12 **Where:** Club X.U, the Leela Palace **Details:** bookmyshow.com

WITH A WIDE RANGE OF SEAFOOD DELICACIES, FEAST, AT SHERATON GRAND BANGALORE - BRIGADE GATEWAY IS ALL SET TO TREAT DINERS. WHEN: EVERY WEDNESDAY

Light and Art

Varun N Rao is back with his 18th art exhibition. About 26 of his art works will be on display at the gallery, including mystifying landscapes, realistic portraits, funny caricatures, still-life paintings, and contemporary art.
When: Till June 10 **Where:** Shades Creative Gallery, Koramangala
Details: 9945460217

Painting Exhibition

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan and Infosys Foundation bring an eight-day workshop and exhibition on Madhubani paintings that are special for having no blank space in the designs. **When:** June 15-22 **Where:** KRG Hall, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan **Contact:** 9980065746

Going Green

Orion Mall is setting up an e-waste art gallery by artist and designer Vishwanath Mallabadi Davangere, whose main focus is on art forms through e-waste. The mall showcases more than 20 artworks at a designated place.
When: June 14
Where: Brigade Gateway
Contact: 080 6728 2222

Summer Groove

Experience Sunburn Arena with an international lineup of the Dutch duo 'Yellow Claws' and groove to the bass king's musical tour.
When: June 11 **Where:** Phoenix Market City, Whitefield
Details: bookmyshow.com

Pool Party

Beat the summer heat with the company of rocking music at the Splash Bash Pool Party with a swimming pool in the lap of lush greenery, indoor and outdoor games and music as well as 5+ DJs.
When: June 12 **Where:** Prestige Garden Estate Club and Resort **Details:** bookmyshow.com

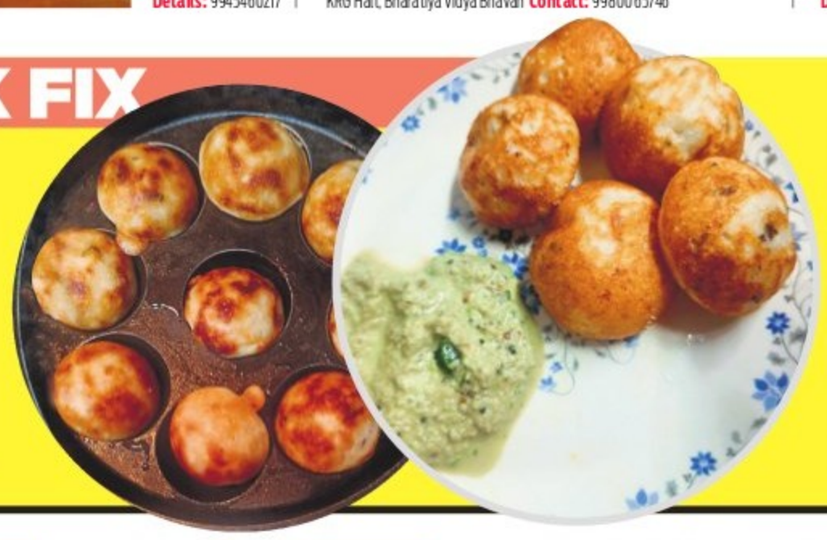
Culinary Standoff

Here's a stage for culinary artists to showcase their skills on a live chef's competition by The World of Hospitality.
When: June 8 **Where:** Tripura Vasini, Palace Grounds
Details: 9844006736

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.



PONGANALU

INGREDIENTS
- **Idli batter:** Half kg
- **Mustard:** 1tsp
- **Onion:** 1 finely chopped
- **Oil:** 2 tbsp
- **Chopped curry leaves:** 1 tbsp
- **Chopped green chillies:** 1 tbsp
- **Salt** to taste

METHOD
- In a small pan, heat the oil and add mustard, curry leaves, chillies, and onion to it.
- When the onion turns transparent, add the contents to the idli batter.
- Add salt to taste.
- Grease the ponganalu pan and add spoonfuls of the batter.
- Let it cook for 10 minutes on medium flame.
- Flip the ponganalu to cook on the other side until golden brown.
- Serve hot with coconut chutney.

–Arfa Seher, Bengaluru

FIT BIT

JATHARA PARIVARTANASANA
(BELLY TWIST POSE)

In this pose the abdomen undergoes twisting while lying down in a supine position. The legs extended giving a deeper twist to the hips, lower back, and abdomen. The twisting of the spine in supine position helps to relax the muscles of the spine after intense standing practices. It helps keep oneself centered with awareness of the belly that includes the abs and core muscles, and maintaining balance with hip stability.

STEPS
- Lie down on your back with your arms at shoulder length. Inhale, bend your knees to your chest and draw your thigh in the direction of your torso.
- Exhale, release the thighs to the right, outside edge of the right leg on the ground, extending from the hips towards the side.
- Keep the left leg on top of the right, ensuring the hips are together. Move legs simultaneously keeping shoulder blades to the ground.
- Straighten the legs slowly. Deepen the twist by bringing the legs in line with the waist, resting them on the floor towards the right side.
- Inhale, bring the legs further up towards the arms and exhale release and breath.
- Make use of the core and abdominal muscles to help twist the body deeper.
- Hold this posture for about six deep slow and long breaths, initially.
- To release, gently bend the legs at the knees, look to the center, inhale and bring the thighs and knees and press against the chest.
- Repeat the practice once more, holding the pose longer.

BENEFITS
- Stretches and strengthens shoulders, arms, hamstrings, buttocks, calves, chest, abdomen, and lower back muscles.
- Keeps balance, alignment and awareness.
- Stimulates Manipura Chakra and internal organs.
- Improves the flexibility of the spine, shoulders, and hips muscles.
- Tone internal organs and stretches tissues and ligaments.
- Helps improve energy.
- Eases back pain, reduce neck pain and sciatica.

LIMITATIONS
- People with injury of the hips, spine, shoulders, neck, knees, ankles, or rib cage, recovering from abdominal and hip replacement surgeries, herniated disc, pregnant women, arthritis, bone-related issues should avoid this.

By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

SOUND BOARD

THE HORROR SHOW BY KHOONI MONDAY

The best of scary stories about popular horror legends, creepiest chudails and bhoots and the most haunted places across the world.
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The surest path to self-development is through our vital connection to the world around us. That's the lesson in Deepak Chopra's essential new podcast, Mind Body Zone.
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True stories of the most extreme wild animal attacks ever documented, told and explained by Wes Larson, a wildlife biologist and animal behavior expert.
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Conversations in this podcast aim to inspire listeners to think critically about health choices for better life results.
● **ON:** Gaana

POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

SANGAMAM

After initial disagreements, a classical dancer and a rural folk artiste charm each other and fall in love. However, they face issues when the girl's father disapproves of their relationship.
Cast: Rahman, Vindhya

PUTHU PUTHU ARTHANGAL

Bharati, a renowned singer, and his insecure wife, Gauri, lead a happy life until she walks out on him when she is unable to deal with the attention her husband receives from his female fans.
Cast: Rahman, Geetha, Sithara

PUDHU VASANTHAM

Gowri, a woman in search of her lover Suresh, joins a group of struggling roadside singers. Friendship grows between them as they achieve success, but things change when Suresh returns.
Cast: Sithara, Murali

ENDRUM ANBUDAN

Thyagu, a singer, lives as a tenant where a young woman is a co-tenant. Their lives change when Thyagu shares shocking information about his past.
Cast: Sithara, Heera Rajagopal

UNNAI SOLLI KUTRAMILLAI

Balu makes a living as a police informer. He lives with Namasivayam and is adored by his family. But one such tip-off leads to the arrest and subsequent suicide of Namasivayam and his family.
Cast: Karthik, Sithara

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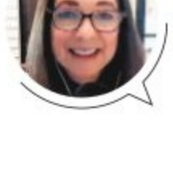
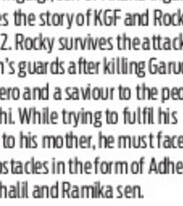


1 ETHICAL DILEMMA: WOULD YOU LIE? BY SARAH STROUD

Your plan to set up your friend Carey with your acquaintance Emerson is finally coming together. You've made them a dinner reservation, but suddenly realise that there's a problem: Carey is always late. You really want this relationship to work – what if you told Carey dinner was at 6 instead of 6.30, so they arrived on time? Is it okay to lie?



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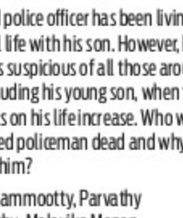

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Kothanodi is based on characters and events described in "Burhi Aair Sadhu", a popular compendium of folk stories compiled by Assamese literary giant Lakshminath Bezbaroa. The four fables referenced in the film are Tejimola, Champawati, Ou Kuwori and Tawoir Xadhu.
Cast: Seema Biswas, Adil Hussain, Zerifa Wahid, Urmila Mahanta, Kapil Bora, Asha Bordoloi
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Cast: Yash, Srinidhi Shetty, Sanjay Dutt
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A retired police officer has been living a peaceful life with his son. However, he becomes suspicious of all those around him, including his young son, when the attempts on his life increase. Who wants the retired policeman dead and why is he after him?
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Young Laura and Carlos experience the intensity and fragility of first love, as life realities gradually tarnish their idealised notions of romance.
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Thomas Anderson's seemingly ordinary life ends when he accepts Morpheus's offer, only to wake up to a new, more secure and much more dangerous Matrix.
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Princess Diana and Prince Charles' marriage has been dormant for a long time. Despite rumours of divorce, the Christmas celebration is set to be peaceful. There's shooting and hunting, as well as eating and drinking. Diana is well-versed in the game. This year, however, things will be different. Spencer is a fictitious account of what might have occurred during those tragic days.
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After 15 years of corporate life, Suviggya Bansall quit her marketing job to start a cafe that serves Delhi-style chhole bhature

Direct From Delhi

Suviggya Bansall

ISHRATH MUBEEN

A CORPORATE job with a high-paying package is every person's dream. But despite having it all, Suviggya Bansall had different plans. After working in the marketing team of a corporate firm since 2004, Bansall decided to take a break and quit her job in 2019. "My husband and I wanted to set up a small cafe to serve authentic chhole bhature, chaats and desserts," she says. In addition to the cafe at Bellandur, two more outlets were opened in Koramangala and Whitefield in 2021 and 2022, respectively.

During her time in the corporate space, Bansall would have to travel every other week because of which she could hardly spend quality time with her children. "It was draining and the mom in me felt guilty for missing out on the important moments with my kids," she says.

Hailing from Gurgaon, Bansall says she never found that perfect chhole bhature here in the city. And her husband, a foodie, never approved of the chhole bhature anywhere but from Delhi's 'Gopal's 56'. "That was our inspiration and that's how our cafe got its name- 'Gopaljee Cafe'," she says.

According to Bansall, the decision to start a cafe was risky since the couple had zero experience in the food industry. "We thought the cafe would shut in less than five months. And a few months into it, the country went into a lockdown and we had no idea how we would survive," Bansall says. But after several months of patience and hard work, Bansall came up with an idea. "While I was trying to connect with vendors and overcome the shipment issues following the lockdowns, I wrote to food vlogger Kripal Amanna in January 2021 requesting him to visit the cafe. He came over in no time and featured the cafe on his channel. That changed everything. Soon, the number of customers tripled," she says.

The entrepreneur started receiving more than 600 calls each day to check the availability of the dish. "Initially, we used to serve chhole bhature only from 9 am to 3 pm. But customers would come over for snacks and dinner and expect the dish to be served. We then started serving it throughout the day," Bansall says.

With the raw ingredients from local markets, the chefs found it impossible to get the authentic flavour. Hence, Bansall decided to bring the chhole and spices from Delhi. "After months of trial and error, we now have the flavour of Delhi in Bengaluru," she says.

Hola Amigues! (Neutral gender)

A FULL CIRCLE

Gurudas, Amita & Rakhee Shenoy

Arvind Kumar, Swapna Venkatesh & Suresh Hinduja

RUBINATIONS
Rubi Chakravarti
Writer, actor and funny girl

THIS week had its predictable highs and lows. I have kind of got used to it especially after that long hiatus we had living in our personal bubble during the pandemic. I have understood that needles that go up and down on a monitor are good while a stable flat line isn't! So now, a few minor 'everywhere, and upstairs and downstairs' don't matter that much. Much better than being 'flat-lined'!

My personal life was at an all-time high with family and friends ruling the roost. My pregnant daughter and her hubby were here on a quick trip from Mumbai to celebrate her baby-shower hosted by her brother and cousin. And I, not to be left behind, threw a quasi-traditional blessing ceremony bash with her aunts (my best friends) in tow. It's wonderful to have people over, eating, chattering and drinking. It was as if that dark period did not really exist. We also managed to squeeze in some family time by having dinner at Ottimo, the 'numero-uno' Cucina Italiana restaurant at the ITC Gardenia. This popular eatery was closed for nearly two years and when it opened, we didn't think twice about hurriedly accepting good friend Manas Krishnammorty's invitation to dine there. Their talented chef Chirag put us through our paces by offering us their recently-introduced, brand new six-course set-menu. With a keen eye on palate and visual aesthetics, Chirag made sure it was truly a superlative dinner, replete with bonhomie and family-bonding.

It's truly embarrassing when our naïve city gets hoodwinked yet again. Flimflammers and their ilk are trying desperately to delude the 'deludable' by offering them visions of grandeur, which they naively accept hoping against hope that no-one will figure out the monetary compensation that was paid up for it. There is such an overall fear of missing out (FOMO), that the shiny (not so) young things will go to any lengths to be relevant. Even if it means they will stoop to being downright unkind and non-kosher.

Luckily for me, my genteel life was back on track. Good friend and artiste, Gurudas Shenoy invited us to his solo art-show at the Bangalore International Centre (BIC). It was thrilling to see a packed hall of artists, art aficionados and people who love the finer things in life! It felt so wonderful to interact with these accomplished maestros, some of whose works hang on my walls. It looked like life had turned a full circle once again.

There are some places that give one a sense of security and serenity. The Oberoi Hotel is one such place. Their fabulous cuisine, their ambience and the clutch of green-spaces that they lovingly nurture, is impeccable.Both their pan-Asian restaurants are wildly popular in the city for their delicious fare. Wabi-Sabi favours Japanese cuisine while Rim Naam favours Thai. Just to make us, their guests, feel even more special, the management has come up with a brilliant idea of serving a quick four-course, pocket-friendly meal, incorporating the favourite dishes from both the restaurants! Walking through the grotto, past the gold-fish pond and under the weeping-willow tree is where I had my meal. Simply perfect!

While most of Bangalore retains its grace and civility, some newbies still seek 'sugar-daddies'. But one must be correct and refer to them in neutral gender terms...which is 'glucose-guardians'!

Piecing the puzzle together in Sonority

ARE YOU GAME?
Anusha Ganapathi
@quofles

(This economics graduate spends her leisure time preparing for the zombie apocalypse)

I am standing in the middle of an open courtyard. It is a maze of platforms and stairways. The stairs lead to nowhere. The platforms are unreachable. I draw out my trusty pan flute and play a few notes near the music stones. I move the pillars around. Push. Pivot. Push. I shuffle through my instruments to select what resembles a lute. I adjust the note playing on an innocent pillar in the corner of the room. I then hurry towards the centre and stomp down on a glowing rock. The notes on the pillars play a haunting melody. The stairs rearrange themselves. The platforms draw up to my height. I skip over to the next room, with the satisfaction of finishing a puzzle and... making music?

Sonority is a puzzle adventure, where we play as Esther. Esther's friend, Batama the bear, is unwell. Batama can only be healed by a melody that resides deep in the lost world of Sonority. Along her journey, Esther forges an interesting friendship with a racoon, and a group of sleepy singing rocks. But her way forward is blocked and can only be overcome through the music. Some musical sense is required to solve the puzzles. As in most games, the puzzle can be broken down into its underlying logic. In this case, it would be number patterns in the musical notes. While the puzzles get progressively complex, which means more time to solve music patterns, the puzzles are itself not the most fascinating part of the game. The appeal lies in the melody that our actions elicit.

Sonority is created by Hanging Garden Interactive and published by Application Systems Heidelberg. It is currently available on the PC. The game is a great buy if you are looking for a few hours of relaxed puzzle solving.

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I, **HARSHITH K**, S/o Krishna Murthy T.N, aged about 21 years, residing at No,791, 14th Main, 22nd Cross, Judicial Layout, Yelahanka, GKVK Post, Bengaluru -560065 have changed my name from **HARSHIT** to **HARSHITH.K** vide affidavit dated: 26-05-2022, before Notary ANITHA BAI, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) R. JAYALAKSHMI** spouse of NO 15319690P HAV J. RAJESH Residing at House No 3/57, Mullathan (vill), Chinnapalam Pakkam (post), Vellore (Dist), TAMIL NADU (state), Pin: 632102, Have changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) S. JAYALAKSHMI** Vide Affidavit Dated 03.06.2022 sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sri. C.S.Babu @ Chethan Krishna.C.S**, S/o Sri. C.Subramani, aged about 37 years, Residing at No.262, T.K. Compound, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Shivanagar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010. Hereby declare that, I have changed my minor Daughter's (aged 6 years) name from **'PRADHANYA' to "PRADHANYA.B"** vide Affidavit dated 04.06.2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary K.P.Ramesh, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BOPANNA KALENGADA ARJUN**, S/o Arjun Kalengada Uthappa, age 39 years, R/at River View Estate, Arekadu Village & Post, Siddapur, Kodagu District, Karnataka-571 253, Karnataka Sate, today at Bengaluru do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **BOPPANNA** to **BOPANNA KALENGADA ARJUN**, hereafter I shall be known and called as **BOPANNA KALENGADA ARJUN** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 3rd June 2022, sworn before Notary **S.I. Balaguru** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
We, **CHANDRA KUMAR G**, and **KAVITHA S R**, residing at No.174/10, T R Shamanna Nagar, Srinagar, Bangalore, declare that we have changed the name of our Minor Son from **KEERTHI C** (Old Name) to **NIMISH SURYA** (New Name), henceforth our Son shall be known and called **NIMISH SURYA** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 04/06/2022 before Notary **MAHESHA J.J.**, at BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME
I **SUCHIT KUMAR**, is legal father of **ABHAY CHAUDHARY** whose DOB 24/05/2012 is resident of phapharana, Modinagar, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh- 201204. I have changed my child name from **ABHAY KUMAR CHOUDHARY** to **ABHAY CHAUDHARY** vide affidavit dated 01/06/2022.sworn to before A.R.MUNEER.AHMED

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ASHFAQUE INAMDAR, R/ at No.49, 3rd Floor, 5th Cross, Papamma Layout, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560016, have changed my name to **ASHFAQUE ISMAIL INAMDAR,** vide affidavit dated: 04.06.2022 before notary B.M. CHANDRASHEKAR, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHREYASH SHRINIVAS** presently camping at **BENGALURU** and resident of **No.10-321, Naka Narayana Nagar, Ambagilu, Santhekatte, Udupi-576105, Karnataka** have changed my name to **SHREYAS SHRINIVAS** vide Affidavit dated 30.05.2022 sworn before Advocate and Notary T.C. Thimmaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I Mansukhani Anju Pribhdas, Daughter of Pribhoo Rijhumal Mansukhani have changed my name to Anju Mansukhani for all future purposes, vide affidavit dated 04.06.2022, sworn before the notary.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **JC 820709 L Rank: Nb Sub, Name: DHARMENDRA KUMAR SINGH,** presently residing at C C Wing, CMP Centre and School, Bangalore-25, permanently residing at Village and Post: Dewan Fatehpur, District: Gaya, Tehsil: Khizer Sarai, State: Bihar, Pin-824233 **have changed my son name from SAURAV KUMAR SINGH** to **SAURAV KUMAR,** vide affidavit dated 03-06-2022, before Advocate and Notary **G. Dayananda** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KARTHIK KUMAR .R,** S/o Ravi age 23 years, R/at No. 81/1, Munirathnamma Building, 1st Floor, 12th 'A' Main Road, Begur Main Road, Hongasandra, Narayanareddy Layout, Bengaluru South, Bangalore-68 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MANIKANTA R.** to **KARTHIK KUMAR .R,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **KARTHIK KUMAR .R** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 4-6-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **P.N. NAGESHA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SAKALA VENKATESHBABU CHAITHRA** W/o **Balaji Veerabadra Guptha** R/at No.68/4 No.29, 4th Cross, Gangadhar Nagar, Sarakki Gate, Kanakapura Main Road, Bangalore- 560078 have changed my name to **SAKALA VENKATESHBABU CHAITHRA BALAJI** vide affidavit dated: 3/6/2022 Before Notary **Arvind Patil G.G.** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Desai Akanksha Pravin, W/o. Mr.Pritesh Nandkumar Desai, aged about 25 years, R/at Plot No.19, Jadhav Nagar, Belgaum - 590001, Karnataka, India, have changed my name's from 'Desai Akanksha Pravin' or 'Akanksha Pravin Desai' or 'Akanksha Desai' to **'AKANKSHA PRITESH DESAI'** . Vide affidavit dated 04.06.2022, Sworn before Advocate and Notary Indira S.S, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SYED SALIM,** aged about 57 years, and resident of **No.53, Old Cemetery Road, 1st Cross, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 051,** have changed my name to **SYED SALEEM** vide Affidavit dated 04.06.2022 sworn before Advocate and Notary V. Rajashekhara, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **G. MADHUMALATHI,** aged 63yrs, W/o. Late. Janardhan Chetty .G, Residing at # 305, Bache Gowda Layout, Gollahalli, Anjanapura, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru-560062, have changed my name to **MADHUMATHI .G** vide affidavit dated: 04.06.2022 before notary **N. KANCHIVARADARAJU,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SARANYA BIJU** is legally wedded spouse of **NO 7782845W, Rank: NK(MP), Name: BIJU OP** presently residing at 3 Corps Provost Unit, C/o 56 APO, permanently residing at House Devi Prasadam, PO-Peringadi, The:Thalassery, Dist-Kannur, State-Kerala, Pin-673312, **I have changed my name from SARANYA BIJU** to **SARANYA V** and my date of birth is 03-04-1990 (Third April Nineteen Ninety) vide affidavit dated 03-06-2022 before Advocate & Notary **G. Dayananda,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **V. SAVITHA KUBER,** D/o Sri Vijayendra Rao, age 52 years, R/at No. 74, Pavan Apartments, Flat 306, situated at 3rd Floor, 15th Cross, (MES College Road), Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560 055 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SAVITHA VIJAYENDRA RAO** to **V. SAVITHA KUBER,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **V. SAVITHA KUBER** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 4th June 2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K. Ramegowda** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **TREYAMBAK MADYALKAR,** age 33 years, S/o Ramakant Madyalkar, R/at B-802, Krishna Prakash Apartments, 8th Floor, Aicoboonagar, Site No. 170/1, 16th Main, BTM 1st stage, Bangalore-560 068 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from TREYAMBAK RAMAKANT MADYALKAR to **TREYAMBAK MADYALKAR,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **TREYAMBAK MADYALKAR** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 4th June 2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MAHESHA J.J.** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) RESHMA SAJEEV** spouse of NO JC - 314674F NB SUB SAJEEV RAMACHANDRAN Residing at Edathara House, Kottekad, Kuttur (post), Thrissur (Dist), KERALA (State), Pin : 680013, Have changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) RESHMA P M** Vide Affidavit Dated 04.06.2022 sworn before notary S.I.BALAGURU BANGALORE.

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I, **RADHIKA METIKURKE KRISHNASWAMY** presently residing at **No.40/2, KAPALI, 15th Cross, Near MES College, Malleshwaram, BENGALURU - 560003** have changed my name to **RADHIKA ASHOK** vide Affidavit dated 30.05.2022 sworn before Advocate and Notary T.C. Thimmaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO JC - 313548H NB/SUB JAYAMURUGAN.R, of UNIT ; 12 FD COY, 7 ENGR REGT, C/O 99 APO, PIN : 914007, Have changed My Mother Name **(OLD NAME) NAVANEETHAM** to **(NEW NAME) R. NAVANEETHAM** Vide Affidavit Dated 03.06.2022 sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **JOEL VISHWAS N,** age 24 years, S/o Naresh Kumar S, R/o No. 780, 2nd D Cross, 3rd Stage, 3rd Block, 8th Main, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560 079 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **JOEL VISHWAS N** and **JOEL VISHWAS** are one and the same and belongs to me only, hereafter I continue my name as **JOEL VISHWAS .N** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 2-6-2022, sworn before Advocate and Notary **RATNA .N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **AJAY REDDY ARUNA KUMAR,** S/o Aruna Kumar Ramachandra Reddy, aged about 18 years, R/at NO. 23, 1st Cross, Achaiah Shetty Layout, RMV Extension, Sadashivanagar, Bengaluru-560080, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AJAY REDDY** to **AJAY REDDY ARUNA KUMAR,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **AJAY REDDY ARUNA KUMAR** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 2nd June 2022, sworn before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **S NUSRATH** W/o **S Ansar Basha** R/at No.17, Bowee Street, Halasuru H.A.L 2nd Stage, Bangalore- 560008, have changed my name to **S NUSRATHUNNISA** vide affidavit dated:1/6/2022 Before Notary **Chandrashekar.M** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) RESHMA SAJEEV** spouse of NO JC - 314674F NB SUB SAJEEV RAMACHANDRAN Residing at Edathara House, Kottekad, Kuttur (post), Thrissur (Dist), KERALA (State), Pin : 680013, Have changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) RESHMA P M** Vide Affidavit Dated 04.06.2022 sworn before notary S.I.BALAGURU BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SAMRUDDHI UDAY, Residing at No. 216, AECS Layout, 2nd Main, 4th Cross, Sanjay Nagar, Bengaluru - 94. Have changed My Name from **SAMRUDDHI UDAYA AIL** to **SAMRUDDHI UDAY** vide Affidavit Dated 03.06.2022 Sworn Before Notary G.B. TURAMARI, Bangalore.

SHIVARAJKUMAR'S *BAIRAGEE* TO HIT THE THEATRES ON JULY 1

The Vijay Milton directorial also stars Dhananjay, Pruthvi Ambaar, Anjali, and Yasha Shivakumar

A SHARADHAA

SHIVARAJKUMAR'S 123rd film, *Bairagee*, an action entertainer directed by Vijay Milton, is set to hit screens on July 1. The team of Bairagee took to social media to announce the release date.

Bairagee marks Shivarajkumar's first collaboration with cinematographer-turned-director Vijay Milton. Backed by Krishna Sarthak, *Bairagee* features an ensemble cast, including Shivanna's *Tagaru* co-star Dhananjay, Pruthvi Ambaar, and Yasha Shivakumar.

The film also marks the return of Tamil actor Anjali, who was last seen in Puneeth Rajkumar's *Ranavikrama*.

With cinematography by Vijay Milton and music by Anoop Seelin, *Bairagee* is currently in the post-production stage.

Shivarajkumar is currently shooting for S Harsha's *Vedha*, and on June 9 he will start working on director Yograj Bhat's next, backed by Rockline Venkatesh.

Shivarajkumar

Dhananjay

A paperboy at the age of 8, a bar waiter and security guard in his adulthood, Kiranraj K finally fulfills his passion for cinema with Rakshit Shetty's *777 Charlie*

Kiranraj K, Rakshit Shetty and Charlie

DESPITE DOING ODD JOBS, MY AGENDA WAS ALWAYS TO BE PART OF CINEMA: KIRANRAJ

A SHARADHAA

WITH less than a week left for the *777 Charlie* release, this adventure drama has already been receiving a lot of love from the premieres that are happening in various places across the country. With 21 premieres having been planned, the audience who caught the screenings in Delhi, Lucknow, and Amritsar, have turned emotional watching the lives of Dharma and Charlie unfold on screen.

Director Kiranraj K says that the audience's emotions have vindicated his arduous journey in cinema. "I faced a lot of hurdles while shooting *777 Charlie*. I had many sleepless nights. The whole journey was not easy. Today, it feels good to watch the audience's reactions, and see tears in their eyes. These tears are reflections of my *777 Charlie* journey too," says Kiranraj, whose debut film will be a pan-Indian project that will be released in Kannada, Telugu, Tamil, Malayalam and Hindi, on June 10.

Talking about his fascination for human emotions, Kiranraj talks about the path he has taken in his life that has brought him to this point. "I started working as a paper boy as an 8-year-old. Family constraints cut my dreams of attending college, and I cannot describe that pain in words. I took a job as a waiter at the bar and worked as a security guard too. I did face a lot of harassment, and there was never a day when I didn't cry myself to sleep. I have seen every kind of emotion up and close at a very young age. That's why I was able to write scenes that would allow the audience to empathise with my characters," shares Kiran, who added that he might come across as a tough taskmaster on the sets, but is a very emotional person at heart. "I believe that a person becomes strong when emotions are brought to the fore. That's what I saw in the audience when they were watching *777 Charlie*," he says.

Despite insurmountable odds, and juggling odd jobs, Kiranraj's primary aim was just one thing — Cinema. "As a child, my grandparents would narrate stories from the Ramayana and Mahabharatha. Even while listening to the stories, I would visualise the characters and scenes. When I saw the televised versions of these epics, I was excited to see that the visuals in my head were very similar to what I was seeing on-screen. Storytelling by my grandparents was the foundation of my passion towards the world of cinema. However, it took time to crack into this world and do what I liked the most," he says.

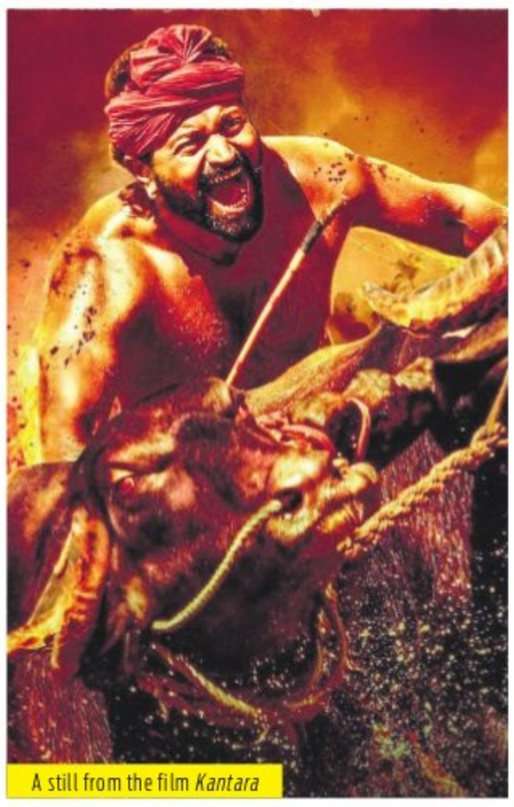
Kiranraj says that his focus as a director is long-term, and strongly believes his patience and perseverance have paid off. "I might direct just a handful of films, but my work should have an impact and be remembered by the audience even years later. I want to connect with people with my storytelling, and *777 Charlie* will be that first step."

'Audience opinion matters the most'

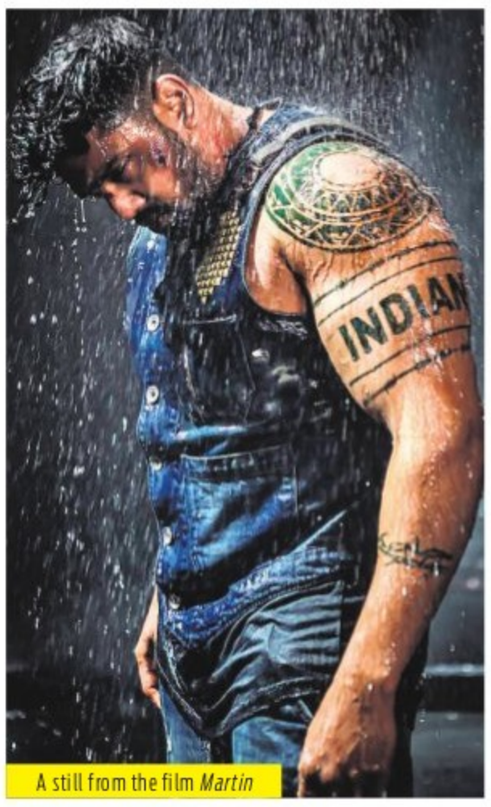
If you ever find a 50 paise postcard at the cinema halls screening *777 Charlie*, then it is from Kiranraj, who expects the audience to share their opinion in the card and post it to the address mentioned. "This was a practice I picked with my first telefilm, *Kaavala*. I had distributed these postcards to all the audience post-screening, and I still treasure their opinions. I respect the audience, and will never take them for granted. A line or two written by them about *777 Charlie* will be among my treasured memories about the film, and it will also help me understand them better," he says.

RISHAB SHETTY'S *KANTARA* TO SEE A DASARA RELEASE

The film about human-nature conflict is set to be out on September 30, and will face a box-office clash with Dhruva Sarja's *Martin*



A still from the film *Kantara*



A still from the film *Martin*

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DASARA is upon us, and Sandalwood is gearing up for a slew of releases. Rishab Shetty's *Kantara*, backed by Hombale Films, is set to hit the theatres on September 30 on the occasion of Dasara.

An official announcement was made by the production house. "This Dasara, get ready to be dazzled & transported into a new universe of #Kantara" Previously, the makers of Dhruva Sarja-starrer *Martin*, which is directed by AP Arjun and backed by Uday K Mehta, had officially announced the film's release for Dasara. Now with *Kantara* taking the same date, it will result in an interesting box-office clash. However, fans of the respective films believe that the two films are from different genres, which have their own set of audiences.

Kantara stars Rishab Shetty, who is also directing the film, which is now in the post-production stages. The film deals with human and nature conflict, and also highlights the sport of Kambala. The film, which is mostly shot in the coastal belt, features Sapthami Gowda, Kishore, Achyuth Kumar, and Pramod Shetty in prominent roles.

Kantara has Ajaneesh B Loknath's music and cinematography by Arvind S Kashyap.

SRK, Katrina test positive

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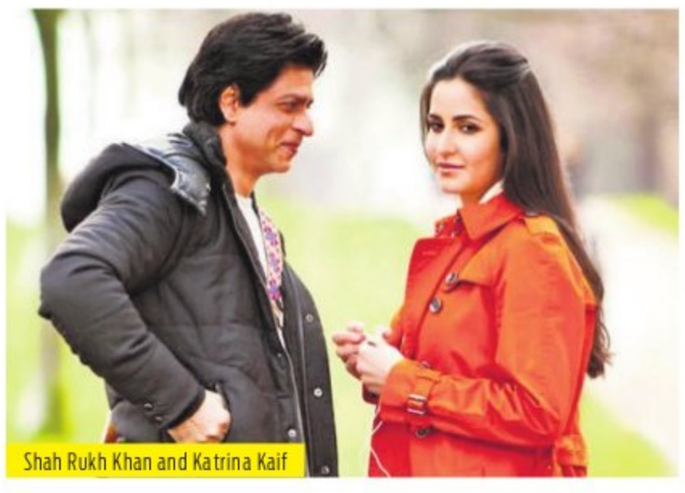
ACTORS Shah Rukh Khan and Katrina Kaif have tested positive for Covid-19. However, the latter has completed her quarantine period.

The news about SRK contracting the virus comes right after Hindi film actors such as Kartik Aaryan and Aditya Roy Kapur had tested positive. Akshay has recently recovered from the infection.

According to reports, Katrina could not attend the IIFA 2022 event in Abu Dhabi as she was on a road to recovery from Covid. On the work front, SRK has three films on his platter - Pathan, Dunki and Jawan, a highly-anticipated film with Atlee.

Taking a pan-India route, *Jawan* will release in five languages - Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam and Kannada on June 2, 2023.



Shah Rukh Khan and Katrina Kaif

Tahar Rahim to join cast of *Madame Web*

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THE *Serpent* actor Tahar Rahim, who played Charles Sobhraj will be playing a pivotal role in the upcoming film *Madame Web*. The film is one of the films on the Sony slate, and Rahim's role is currently kept under the wraps by the makers.

Also on board, *Madame Web*, are Sydney Sweeney, Celeste O'Connor, and Isabela Merced for director SJ Clarkson. Matt Sazama and Burk Sharpless pen the screenplay, with Kerem Sanga also reportedly penning a previous draft.

Tahar Rahim